

Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust

Annual Report
2024-25





I have a Task:

To foster all mankind and ensure for all of them lives full of Bliss.

I have a Vow:

To lead all who stray away from
the straight path, again into goodness and save them.

I am attached to a Work that I love:

To remove the suffering of the poor and grant them what they lack.

I have a reason to be proud,

for I rescue all who worship and adore Me.

I have My definition of the devotion I expect:

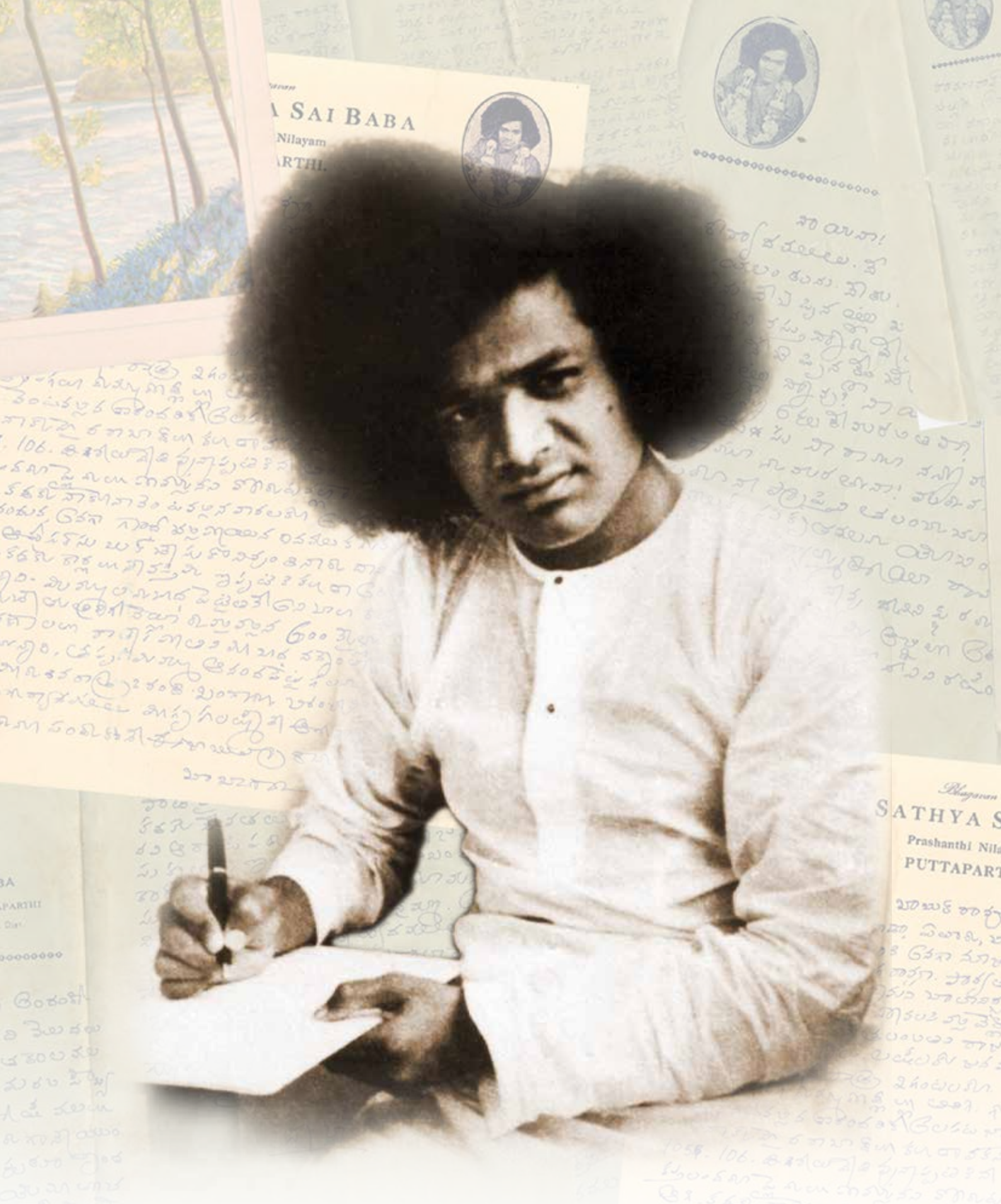
Those devoted to Me have to treat joy and grief,
gain and loss, with equal fortitude.

This means I will never give up those who attach themselves to Me.

I will not give up My mission nor My determination.

I know I will carry them out.

On 25 May 1947, at the age of 20, Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba wrote a letter in reply to His brother's concerns, outlining His mission and stating the purpose of His birth. Above is the translated excerpt from that historic letter written originally in Telugu by Bhagawan.



Dedicated at the Lotus Feet of
Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba



**The best way to love God is
to love all and serve all.**

- Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba

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Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust

BOARD MEMBERS

Sri K. Chakravarthi, IAS (Retd.)

Chancellor, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning and its former Registrar,
Former Finance Secretary (Projects), Govt. of A.P.

Dr. V. Mohan

Chairman and Chief of Diabetology at Dr. Mohan's Diabetes Specialities Centre,
President and Director, Madras Diabetes Research Foundation, Chennai,
Awarded Padma Shri by Govt. of India in 2012.

Sri Ryuko Hira

President, HMI group of Hotels and Resorts,
Chairman, The Indian Commerce and Industry Association, Japan.

Sri S.S. Naganand

Chartered Accountant and Senior Advocate of the High Court of Karnataka
and the Supreme Court of India.

Sri Manohar Shetty

Hospitality and Infrastructure Businessman. Actively involved in Service Activities
for Sai institutions.

Dr. Vijay L. Kelkar

Chairman, India Development Foundation,
Former Chairman and Secretary, Finance Commission, Govt. of India,
Awarded Padma Vibhushan by the Govt. of India.

Sri I. S. N. Prasad IAS (Retd.)

Former Additional Chief Secretary (Finance) and Former Principal Secretary
(IT and BT), Government of Karnataka.

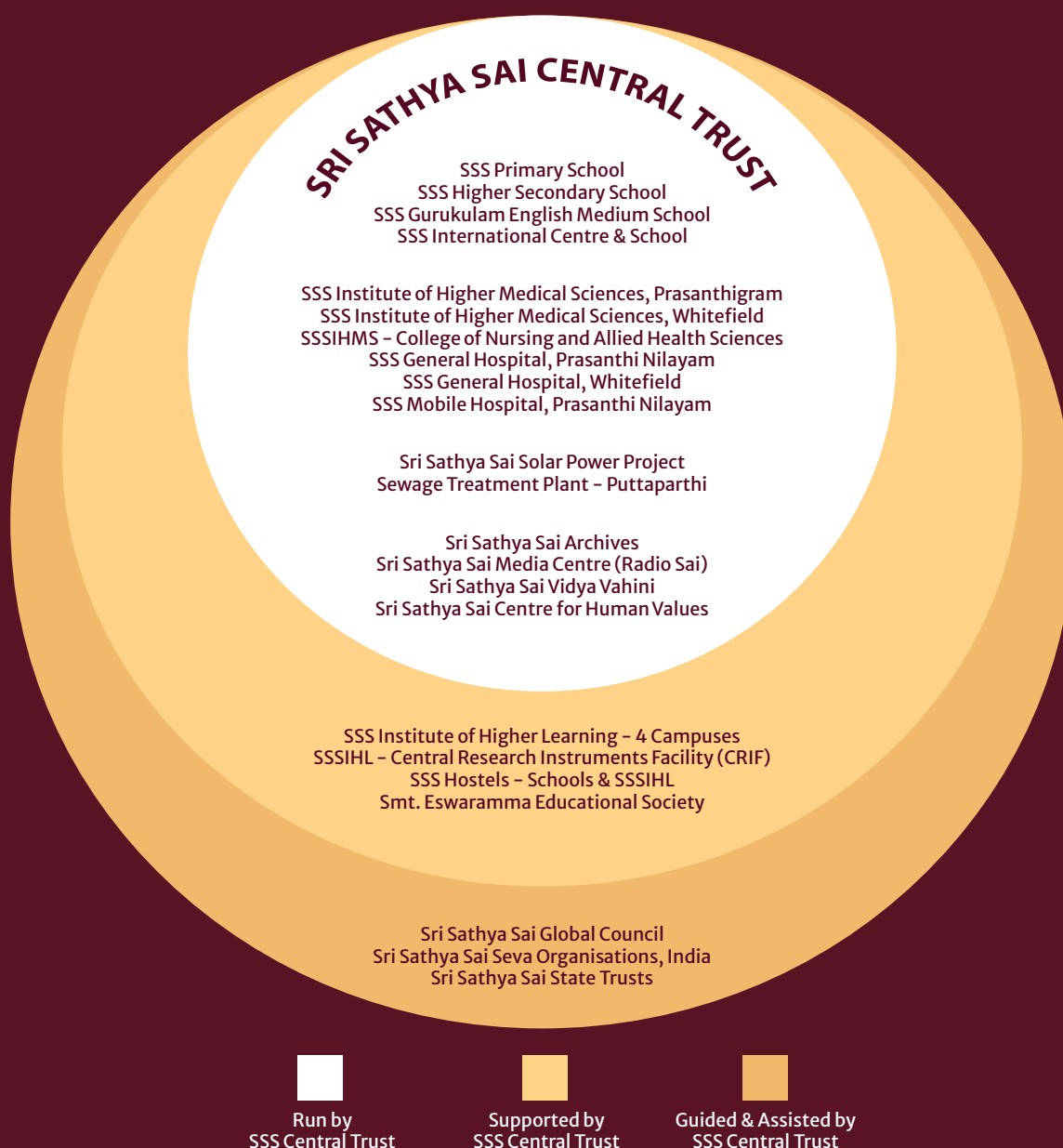
Justice V. Ramasubramanian (Retd.)

Former Judge, Supreme Court of India, Former Chief Justice, High Court of Himachal
Pradesh, and Former Judge, High Court of Telangana and High Court of Madras.

Sri R.J. Rathnakar

Managing Trustee,
Active Social Worker with an MBA from Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning.

Sri Sathya Sai Mission



The above chart is included to understand the inter-relationship between different units and is not meant to indicate lines of authority or hierarchy.

There are many Trusts functioning under the name of 'Sri Sathya Sai Trust (Name of the state)'. In seven of these Trusts functioning in the states of Bihar, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana & Chandigarh,

Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Karnataka, the Central Trust has powers to nominate the Trustees. In all the other State Trusts, new Trustees are appointed by the existing Trustees. There are some Sai Trusts and Foundations functioning overseas which are independent bodies and the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust has no legal connection with

them though all are connected through the Divine inspiration of Bhagawan Baba.

All contributions to the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust are voluntary from individuals who witness Bhagawan Baba's various projects being executed efficiently, their positive impact on beneficiaries and their providing relief to a large number of people.

Further details and procedures can be found in the link – <http://www.srisathyasai.org/pages/sai-get-involved.html>

Report of Activities 2024-25



Release of the Annual Report of Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust

The Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust (SSSCT) is a unique institution. It is a public charitable Trust whose objectives are service to the needy, through activities in the fields of health, education and public utility. Bhagawan has set up landmark institutions and projects with very innovative models for efficient functioning and effective utilisation of resources. The Trust was founded by Bhagawan on September 02, 1972, and ever since it has been Baba's instrument, translating into action His message of selfless love, thereby touching the lives of millions.

The Trustees have been ensuring that these continue to work in the same efficient manner, in the same spirit of inspiration and dedication. There were 4 Board meetings between Apr 01, 2024 and Mar 31, 2025. Two new Trustees have been inducted into the Board. Sri ISN Prasad, who retired as the Additional Chief Secretary (Finance), Government of Karnataka, after an impeccable career of 37 years in the Indian Administrative Services, now joins the Trust. Justice Sri V. Ramasubramanian, a former judge of the Supreme Court of India and the incumbent chairperson of the National Human Rights Commission of India, who, in his illustrious career, has also served as the Chief Justice of the High Court of Himachal Pradesh and a former judge of Madras High Court and Telangana High Court, has also joined the board of Trustees.

This being the **Centenary Year of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba**, the Trust has been spearheading the preparations and ensuring all devotees and guests who have been visiting the Ashram as part of the various programs are extended a warm hospitality. Millions across the globe consider Prasanthi Nilayam their home, and hence are very keen to be part of the year-long celebrations by coming to the Ashram in person. The Trust has taken up activities such as modernisation and renovations of the Ashram facility, all with the view of making the stay of devotees comfortable and memorable. Another battery-operated buggy was added to the fleet of three already in use for the convenience of devotees. This is especially helpful for the elderly, the physically challenged, and those with luggage.

A grand **Ati Rudra Maha Yajnam** was conducted in the holy precincts of the Sai Kulwant Hall from Feb 14 to 15, 2025. Devotees from 50 countries participated in the event that was performed with



meticulousness and care. The event was made further special through the participation of devotees virtually through a web-app created specially for the occasion by the Sri Sathya Sai Media Centre. In fact, the participation aided by the virtual platform was recognised by the India Book of Records and the Asia Book of Records for 'Maximum People Chanting Sri Rudram Mantra'. Apart from this, the Trust continued its support to all other allied institutions with the timely upgradation of facilities, manpower and equipment to ensure the smooth functioning as per the mission of the institutions. As part of a major move to remarkably improve patient care in the two **Sri Sathya Sai Institutes of Higher Medical Sciences, the Hospital Management Information System (HIS)** was upgraded with an advanced software called 'Athma'. The software ensures a system of centralised communication across all the equipment of the hospital, like labs and radiology and so on, and as the software is totally web-based, it makes it easier for healthcare professionals to access and monitor patient information from anywhere in the globe. The system also issues a unified Medical Record Number (MRN) that can be used by patients across hospitals, making it very convenient for patients.



In the **General Hospital at Whitefield**, a new portable Venue Go Ultrasound, valued at ₹27 lakhs, was commissioned. A Sopix RVG intraoral X-ray device has been integrated with the hospital's Picture Archiving and Communication System. In the Department of CTVS, SSSIHMS-WF, a new heart-lung machine, LivaNova Sorin Stockert S5, valued at approximately ₹1 crore, was commissioned. This strengthens the department's capacity to perform complex cardiovascular surgeries.



An advanced Cummins 1010 KVA diesel generator was installed at SSSIHMS-Prasanthigram to upgrade the existing power backup systems to ensure an uninterrupted power supply to critical patient care areas.



The Trust has been extending financial and logistic support to **the Mahabodhi Karuna Charitable Hospital** run by Mahabodhi International Meditation Centre, Choglamsar, Leh (Ladakh), to help it face the growing needs in serving the people of Ladakh. As part of the first phase, the Trust has spent ₹75.82 lakhs during the financial year to help equip the hospital with state-of-the-art medical equipment and infrastructure to not only revive the 40-bed facility but also significantly enhance its capability to provide advanced healthcare to the local populace who were otherwise forced to seek the same in neighbouring states. The equipment was delivered and installed at the hospital in October 2023. The second phase of the project was approved in February 2024, and in all, the Trust has extended support to the tune of ₹2 Crores. Sri RJ Rathnakar, Managing Trustee of Central Trust and Sri Nimish Pandya, All India President of Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations, re-launched the Mahabodhi Karuna Charitable Hospital on May 26, 2024, at Leh (Ladakh) along with several other dignitaries.

The Trust continued to support and mentor the activities of **the Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations, India (SSSSO)** and **the Sri Sathya Sai Global Council (SSSGC)**. The SSSSO organises programs and camps for various groups such as Youth, State and District Office-bearers and Mahilas at Prasanthi Nilayam. Apart from this, devotees from various states and districts visited Prasanthi Nilayam as part of their Parthi Yatra. Similarly, groups from various countries of SSSGC also visited the Ashram and all these groups and programs were supported by the Trust and its various wings to make the stay of the devotees and participants pleasant and purposeful.



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AUDITOR'S REPORT

1) We have audited the attached Balance Sheet of SRI SATHYA SAI CENTRAL TRUST, PRASANTHI NILAYAM, as at 31st MARCH 2025 and Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date, annexed thereto. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of the said Trust. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

2) We conducted the audit in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides for a reasonable basis for our opinion.

3) We further report that:-

- a) We have obtained all the information and explanations, which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- b) In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the above named Trust so far as appears from our examination of those books and proper returns adequate for the purpose of our audit have been received from units not visited by us.
- c) The Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of account.
- d) In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the accounts read with schedules and notes thereon give a true and fair view
 - i) In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Trust as at 31st March 2025; and
 - ii) In the case of Income & Expenditure Account, of excess of income over expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Place: PRASANTHI NILAYAM
Date: 18th August 2025



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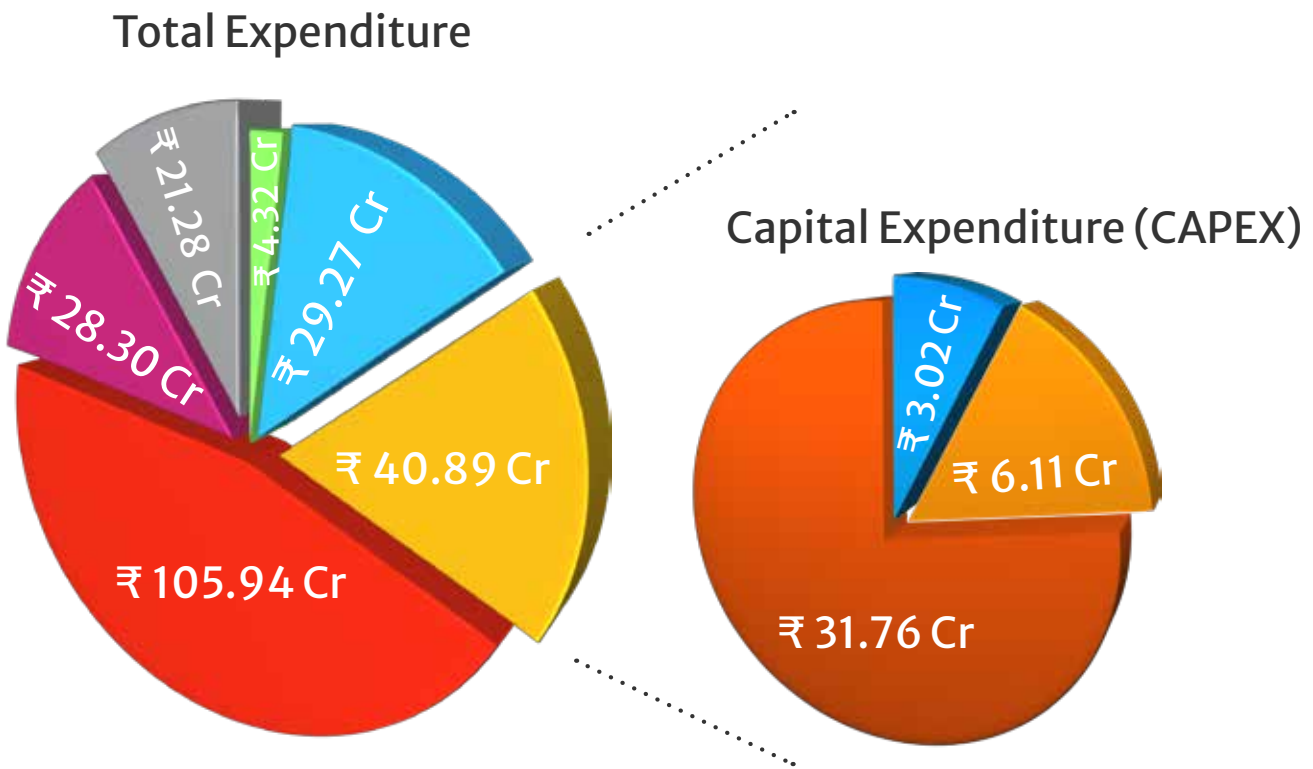
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Expenditure & Income Statement

(Rs in Crores)

Audited Financial Figures, 2024-25



Revenue Expenditure

- Medical
- Educational
- Administrative & Maintenance
- Capital Expenditure (CAPEX)
 - Medical CAPEX
 - Educational CAPEX
 - Other Projects CAPEX
- Other Projects
- Relief to Poor

Total Income	₹278.62 Cr.
Total Expenditure	
Revenue Expenditure	₹189.11 Cr.
Capital Expenditure	₹40.89 Cr.

Compliance & Social Impact

Compliance:

Our books of accounts are regularly audited by an eminent firm of auditors. Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust has consistently adhered to procedures of regulatory compliance required by various departments of the government. The Trust files income tax returns every year and responds promptly to any follow-up queries by the Income Tax Department. Reports required under the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, 2010, are regularly submitted to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India. The Trust has been filing a copy of the annual financial statements along with this statement giving details of additions/deletions to the assets of the Trust, with the Assistant Commissioner of Endowments, Anantapur, every year as per subsection 10 of section 43 of the Andhra Pradesh Charitable & Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Act, 1987. The Trust has been prompt and timely in its history of compliance.

Social Impact:

The Government of Andhra Pradesh had initiated a welfare program of providing Mid-Day Meals (MDM) to school-going children, which aims to ensure enrolment, retention and attendance while simultaneously improving the nutritional levels of children studying in Class I to Class X in all the Government, Local body and Government-aided schools.

In 2023, the Government decided to include Ragi Malt (Finger Millet) as a breakfast item for 3 days a week. Ragi Malt is prepared with 10 gms of Ragi Flour and 10 gms of Jaggery Powder cooked in 150 ml of hot water. The Trust came forward to undertake the supply to the entire state of Andhra Pradesh. The Trust continues to provide the required quantities of Ragi Flour and Jaggery Powder for this program, free of cost. In 2024-25, 32.5 lakh students studying in about 44,000 schools of Andhra Pradesh benefited.

In the last couple of years, Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust has installed rooftop solar power panels in a conscious move towards green power sources. These solar panels have been installed at the two super-speciality hospitals, the hostels of the educational institutions in the Prasanthi Nilayam campus, and on various buildings in the ashram. This has led to a saving of ₹33.44 crores in electricity bills.

A 180 KVA solar power plant was inaugurated at the Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences – College of Nursing in Whitefield in December 2024. Installed at a cost of over ₹1 crore, this state-of-the-art solar power plant is designed to generate an impressive 800–1,000 units of electricity daily. This takes the hospital's total installed solar power capacity to 280 KVA. With this, the Trust now boasts a cumulative solar power generation capacity of 6,300 KVA across its various institutions, reflecting its steadfast dedication to environmental stewardship and sustainable development.

The Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust has been offering free medical care to the needy through two General Hospitals and two Super-speciality Hospitals. The Trust also runs, as part of the medical outreach program, a Mobile Hospital. During the current year, the benefit to society through medical costs saved by patients treated at the two Super-speciality Hospitals is estimated at ₹152.8 Crores (computed at CGHS rates), and since inception, the amount is a staggering ₹3,753 Crores. If the market cost of treatment at hospitals of comparable levels of sophistication in equipment and medical services were to be considered, the savings realised would be far higher than these figures.

Similarly, the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust runs educational institutions from primary and secondary levels to undergraduate and postgraduate courses and PhD degrees, providing contemporary and quality academic programs with a value orientation. This again is totally free to the students. The total number of students studying in all these institutions together is 4,914 (3,278 in schools and 1,636 in the University). In addition, the Trust supports schools run by SSSSO-India in different parts of the country.



Sociocare

The Engineering Department of the SSSCT continued its dedicated service during the year 2024–25, undertaking a wide range of infrastructure works, renovations, and sustainability initiatives across the Ashram and its associated campuses. These efforts were directed towards enhancing comfort, supporting sustainability, improving safety standards, and enriching the visitor experience. From large-scale green energy projects to the careful refurbishment of old structures, every initiative undertaken this year reflects the Trust's guiding principle of selfless service combined with foresight for the future. The following report presents the major works completed during the year in detail.

Enhancing Mobility

Mobility has been a key focus for the Engineering Department this year, particularly with the growing number of students, staff, and visitors across the institutions. Recognising the need to make campuses more accessible and inclusive, lifts were installed in the buildings of Smt. Eswaramma High School, Sri Sathya Sai Higher Secondary School, Sri Sathya Sai Junior Hostel, Sri Sathya Sai Primary School and the college building 3 of Anantapur Campus of SSSIHL. These lifts have greatly improved ease of access, especially for elderly staff and differently abled students.

Solar Power Plants

The Trust has remained steadfast in its commitment to sustainable energy, continuing the journey it began through the Sri Sathya Sai Mitra project. By Mar 2025, the solar power plants under Phases 1, 2, & 3 together generated 442 Lakh units of clean, green energy. This translated into cost savings of approximately ₹33.44 Crores in electricity bills, while simultaneously offsetting thousands of tonnes of CO₂ emissions. Importantly, both Phase 1 and Phase 2 plants have already paid back the initial investment of about ₹22 Crores. The success of this project highlights the Trust's role as a model institution in adopting renewable energy solutions that benefit both the environment and the economy.

Water Conservation and Sewage Management

The Engineering Department has placed special emphasis on the conservation and reuse of water. During the year, the sewage treatment plants (STPs) collectively treated around 3000 lakh litres of water (up from 1800 lakh litres last year). The treated water was used extensively for gardening and landscaping, helping sustain the lush greenery that welcomes visitors to Prasanthi Nilayam.

Satsang Hall, Prasanthi Nilayam



Printing Press, Prasanthi Nilayam



Zero Waste to Landfill Initiative

In line with global environmental goals, the Trust has embarked on a mission to achieve zero waste to landfill. During the year, an eco-converter was installed to process organic waste from the canteens at Prasanthi Nilayam. This innovation alone reduced nearly 6000 kilograms of waste from being sent to the municipal dump yard, converting it instead into useful manure for gardening. Complementing this, segregation at source is being strengthened with the planned implementation of the 2-bin 1-bag system, ensuring better waste management at every stage.

Safety and Security

Ensuring the safety of facilities and visitors has been a consistent priority. During the year, the Airport managed by the Trust was provided with new chain-link fencing. Such proactive measures are vital for maintaining trust and confidence among the many visitors and dignitaries who use the facility each year. Also, the Fire safety equipment in all the premises of the Trust was tested regularly and kept ready for any eventuality. Additional fire extinguishers were provided on every floor of the buildings.

Office Upgrades

The Human Resource Department office and the donation section of the Finance Department were refurbished to provide a more user-friendly and aesthetically pleasing environment. These spaces, frequently visited by staff, donors, and volunteers, now offer improved functionality and comfort.

Renovations and Upgrades

A number of important refurbishments were carried out across the Ashram and its institutions during the year. The North 8 building, used to host lady visitors, was renovated with upgraded sanitary fittings, electrical systems, and new furnishings. At the Sri Sathya Sai Centre for Sports, the gymnasium was provided with modern equipment, including a Functional Trainer with Smith Machine, a Leg Press/Hack Squat unit, and a Wrist Curl machine.

To improve the visitor experience, a maintenance helpline (8071188660) was launched in collaboration with alumni of SSSIHL. This initiative has already proven effective in ensuring timely attention to complaints and faster redressal of issues. In addition, Sai Gayathri Nivas 3, which accommodates Sevadal volunteers, was refurbished with waterproofing, upgraded toilets, new electrical fixtures, and a hot water system. Similarly, the Satsang Hall building was upgraded with a PUFF sheet roof, false ceiling, and modern electrical fixtures, providing a greatly improved space for yoga sessions, talks, and group activities.

The Chaitanya Jyoti Museum underwent a specialised repainting process, where skilled painters restored intricate Chinese fibreglass designs to their original glory.

Sri Ranga Vidya Samstha, Mysuru



Enhancing Mobility and Upgrades to Gymnasium





Additionally, nearly 150 rooms in the 5 Round Buildings were refurbished with new tiling, electrical fittings, and furniture, creating high-quality accommodation for visitors. These buildings are now being provided with lifts too.

The printing press that prints the holy Sanathana Sarathi magazine was refurbished too, with new flooring of kota stones, false ceiling and tiling of a few rooms. The electrical and ventilation aspects were upgraded, too.

Educational and Medical Infrastructure

The interiors of several schools and colleges were freshly painted. A new Dormitory with a hot water system, spacious washrooms and bunk beds was built in the Primary school for the comfortable stay of senior students. At SSSIHMS Prasanthigram, the exterior was repainted to provide a new look to the hospital building. Furthermore, the internal roads of the hospital campus were upgraded with black-topping at a cost of about ₹1.5 Crores, ensuring smooth access for ambulances, staff, and patients alike.

Outreach and Philanthropy

The Trust continued to extend support beyond its campuses through philanthropic initiatives. Solar panels were donated to Sri Ranga Vidya Samstha, Mysuru, an institution dedicated to the welfare of hearing and speech-impaired children. This gift has helped the institute meet its energy needs and reduced the electricity bill by ₹1 Lakh.

At Srisailam, Kerala, hostel and college buildings of approximately 9000 sq. ft. each were constructed for women at a cost of ₹6 Crores. The completion of the first phase has already created opportunities for women to pursue higher education in a safe and supportive environment.

Brindavan Campus Developments

The Brindavan campus underwent substantial upgrades during the year. The college guest house was renovated into 15 staff quarters, providing single, double, and triple-bedroom residential units for faculty members—addressing a long-standing need for housing. The second hostel was refurbished with tiled dormitories, Kota stone flooring in corridors, renovated toilets, and new electrical fittings, greatly improving

the living standards of students. In the college, classrooms were upgraded with tiled flooring, and the ground-floor corridor was similarly improved. Sports facilities were modernised with PP tile surfaces for the volleyball and basketball courts. Further, all MS windows of the college building were replaced with UPVC windows, enhancing both functionality and ambience. The water supply system of the Ashram was realigned into a distributed system, reducing dependence on the ageing overhead tank and ensuring greater reliability of water supply.

Prasanthi Nilayam Campus Upgrades

At Prasanthi Nilayam, a number of laboratories were renovated, strengthening the infrastructure for students and researchers. Washroom facilities for visitors were added at the hostels, along with an isolation room and a security room to meet emerging requirements. The terrace of the library was waterproofed to protect valuable academic resources from seepage.

Anantapur Campus Improvements

At the Anantapur campus, a new lift was installed in College Building 3, providing ease of movement to students and staff. Additional toilets were also constructed for the convenience of students and visitors. In the hostels, mesh doors were added to rooms to improve ventilation and ensure greater comfort in the living spaces.

Painting and Beautification Works

As part of the initiative to paint the exteriors of buildings, priority was given to educational institutions. The sthaphathi designs on the colleges and schools at Prasanthi Nilayam were carefully repainted, restoring their traditional grandeur while ensuring durability. Furthermore, iconic structures at the boundaries of the Sathya Sai Taluk were also attended to—the arches at Keshapuram and Pedaballi were freshly painted, offering a vibrant welcome to all who come to Puttaparthi. These works not only uplifted the visual appeal of the campuses but also symbolised the Trust's attention to preserving cultural heritage and maintaining the sanctity of its environments.

Sai Gayathri Nivas 3 – Refurbishment



Sri Sathya Sai Vidyapeeth, Srisailam, Kerala



Medicare

“Disease has no distinction; it may afflict anybody, be it a pauper or a millionaire. We too have no such distinction. Here the treatment will be rendered totally free of cost to the rich and poor alike. Not merely this, even the food will be supplied free. Our aim is to cure the patients of their ailments and send them home happy and healthy. This Institution will serve the poor forever. Some may have a mistaken notion that it will only be a temporary one. All the institutions established by Sai are eternal.”

– Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba

Sri Sathya Sai Healthcare System

Sri Sathya Sai General Hospitals – Two
 Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences – Two
 Sri Sathya Sai Mobile Hospital
 Sri Sathya Sai Telehealth Centres – Two
 Sri Sathya Sai Nursing College

Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences - Prasanthigram and Whitefield

During the year 2024-25	
OPDs	2,29,641
Surgeries	16,383
Diagnostic Tests	23,85,356

Since Inception	
OPDs	78,63,167
Surgeries	5,42,344
Diagnostic Tests	5,46,92,747

Sri Sathya Sai General Hospitals - Prasanthi Nilayam and Whitefield

During the year 2024-25	
OPDs	4,47,767
Surgeries/Procedures	58,693

DNB Students (All specialities)

SSSIHMS - PSG	SSSIHMS - WF	GH - PSN
39	9	6

Nursing College
 Staff - Students Ratio



1:12

Nursing College
 No. of Students



157

Avg. amount spent per Student

₹ 3 Lakhs

Savings to Patients*



2024-25

152.8 Crores

Since Inception

3,753 Crores

*At CGHS Rates

All services are provided free of charge to all.





Introduction

In recent years, several advances have been made in the fields of Medical Sciences and Technology. While medical facilities have increased manifold, the prohibitive cost of quality healthcare (being highly capital and skill intensive) has taken many of these Life-saving measures out of the reach of the common man. In response to this situation, Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba set up hospitals to provide highest level of healthcare to all patients free of all charges.

The Sri Sathya Sai Hospitals perform thousands of advanced surgeries each year totally free of cost without any discrimination of caste, creed or economic status. Nearly 66% of the patients treated at the two super-speciality hospitals are those whose family annual income is less than ₹30,000 p.a. In this way, they bring a smile to the faces of economically distressed section of the masses for whom access to quality healthcare would have otherwise remained a distant dream.

Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences, Prasanthigram



The Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences (SSSIHMS), Prasanthigram, Puttaparthi continues to maintain high standards of patient care by providing completely free treatment to all in-patients and out-patients irrespective of caste, creed, race, religion, ethnicity and nationality. The completely free treatment includes diagnosis, surgery, interventions, medicines and diet.

During the past year, 1,52,359 outpatient consultations were performed.

During the year under review, 10,859 surgeries and procedures were carried out by the departments of CTVS, Cardiology, Urology, Plastic Surgery, Ophthalmology and Orthopaedics put together and 11,19,282 diagnostics tests were performed.

Pioneering study by SSSIHMS, Prasanthigram and SSSIHL on AVNFB

The Department of Orthopaedics, along with the Department of Biosciences, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning, Prasanthi Nilayam, has published a pioneering study about the Avascular Necrosis of the Femoral Head (AVNFB) in the scientific journal 'Medical Principles and Practice', Krager Publications, Switzerland. This study has the potential to pave the way for future research and development of better treatment and management of AVNFB.

Avascular necrosis of the femoral head (AVNFB) is a debilitating disease of the young, affecting the quality of life significantly and eventually leading to total hip replacement surgery. The disease is diagnosed clinico-radiologically, and MRI is the investigation of choice to diagnose the early stages of the disease. There is neither an early biomarker for detection nor is there a permanent cure for the disease, and most of the patients are managed with various combinations of surgical and medical management protocols.

This study comprehensively addresses the etiopathogenesis, clinical characteristics, therapeutic procedures, bone characteristics, histopathology, multiomic studies, finite element modelling, and systems analysis that have been performed in AVNFB.

ICE-guided 3D mapping Electrophysiological Study procedure started at SSSIHMS, Prasanthigram

With the immense grace of Bhagawan, Intracardiac Echocardiography (ICE) guided 3D mapping Electrophysiological Study was commenced at SSSIHMS, Prasanthigram during the year under review.

This is an advanced cardiac procedure in which a tube is guided into the heart of the patient with an irregular heartbeat with the help of Intracardiac Echocardiography. Then, through the use of Radio Frequency, tissues causing the irregular heartbeat are ablated. This procedure, which is performed in very few centres in the country, provides long-lasting relief to the patients.



ICE-guided 3D mapping Electrophysiological Study procedure

Advanced 1010 kVa Electric Generator Inaugurated

An advanced 1010 kVA diesel generator was inaugurated at SSSIHMS, Prasanthigram, on Dec 18, 2024. Acquired at the cost of ₹ 95 lakh, the Cummins 1010 generator supplied by Powerica was inaugurated by the Managing Trustee, Mr RJ Rathnakar, in the presence of Dr Gurumurthy, Director, SSSIHMS, Prasanthigram, and other senior staff members of the hospital.

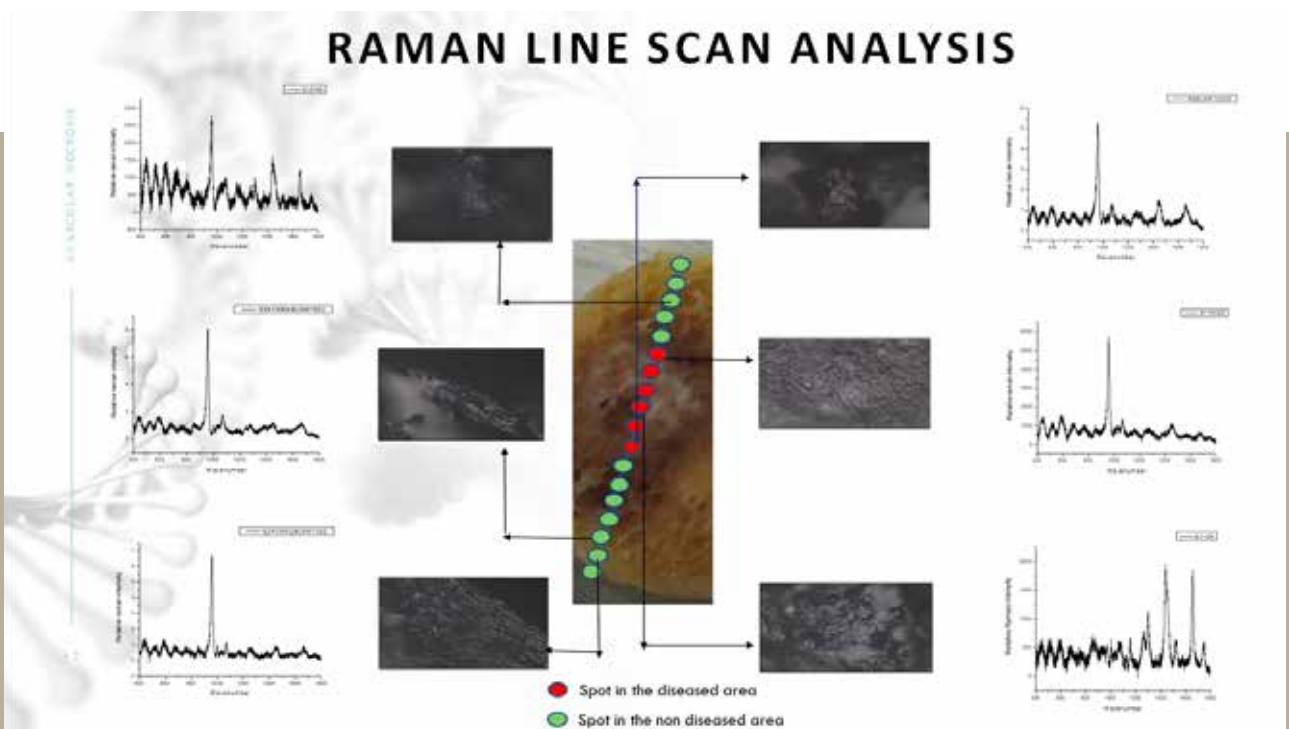
Speaking on the occasion, Sri RJ Rathnakar observed, “This will help augment the hospital’s backup power and thereby help in providing uninterrupted electricity to the critical patient care areas as and when the need arises.” The new generator has the best fuel economy in its class, has low operating cost, low acoustics, is environmentally friendly and meets all the existing pollution control norms of the Government of India.

Hospital Information System Software Upgrade

The Hospital Management Information System of the SSSIHMS, Prasanthigram, went for a major upgrade with the implementation of advanced Hospital Management software called Athmâ. It is a cloud-based software designed by doctors for the use of doctors. Some of the features of the software include a completely centralised communication system across all the equipment of the hospital, like labs and radiology, which increases efficiency. Secondly, the software is totally web-based, which makes it easier for healthcare professionals to access and monitor patient care information from anywhere across the globe. The software upgrade, which was supported by Narayana Health, was inaugurated by Mr RJ Rathnakar on September 21, 2024.

Academics

As of Mar 31, 2025, **39 Postgraduate students** were undergoing training to pass the All-India examination to qualify for obtaining the Certificate of Diplomate of National Board in various disciplines approved by the National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi, which also includes super-specialities in medical sciences, viz. Cardio Thoracic and Vascular Surgery, Cardiology, and Urology and subspecialties of Ophthalmology, Anaesthesiology and Orthopaedics.



Publication of a pioneering study about AVNFH in the ‘Medical Principles and Practice’ journal



Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences, Whitefield (Bengaluru)

Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences, Whitefield (Bengaluru), a 333-bedded Super Speciality Hospital, continues its service to society, offering the best medical care to patients from across the country and abroad.

During the period Apr 01, 2024, to Mar 31, 2025

- A total of 77,282 outpatient consultations were rendered (41,733 in Cardiology, 26,580 in Neurosurgery, & 8,969 in Neurology).
- A total of 5,524 Surgeries/procedures were performed (2816 Cath procedures, 949 Cardiac Surgeries, 1759 Neurosurgeries).

Since its inception in 2001, the hospital has cumulatively

- served over 18.7 lakh outpatients across these super-specialities.
- performed 1,44,488 procedures and surgeries across super-specialities.

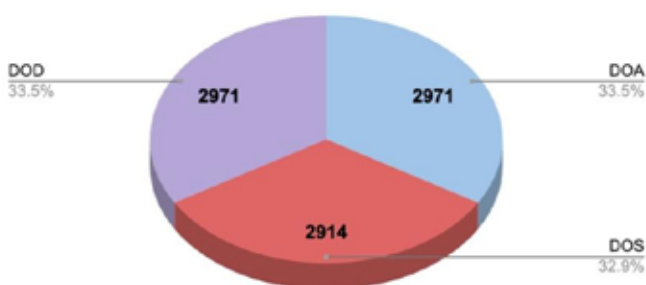
Patient Counselling:

Since its inception in 2001, the SAI Counselling Department at SSSIHMS, Whitefield, has been providing emotional, psychological, and spiritual support to cardiac and neurosurgery patients and their caregivers. SAI stands for 'Spirituality Awareness Integration' in counselling.

Support is offered in three key stages of hospitalisation: Day of Admission, Day of Surgery and Day of Discharge. Additional bedside counselling is provided as needed. The department operates Monday through Saturday with a minimum of two dedicated volunteers.

In the period under review, a total of 21,488 patients were offered counselling at various stages of their treatment.

Number of Therapy Sessions offered to Patients and Caregivers - Neuro Surgery
April 2024 -March 2025 Total - 8,856



Number of Therapy Sessions offered to patients and Caregivers-Cardiology /Cardiac surgery
April 2024 -March 2025 Total - 12,632





Infrastructure / Technology – Additions / Upgrades:

Smart Water Management by Fluxgen, supported by Microsoft, May 2024

M/s Fluxgen Sustainable Technologies and Microsoft Foundation have come together to provide a Smart Water Management System to the Institute as their contribution to support the sustainability initiatives of the Institute. The solution comprising 57 ultrasonic digital water flow sensors with IoT data acquisition devices will measure the flow of water, water output from the bore-wells, drinking water and treated water consumption across campus and provide real-time analysis of water consumption. It would help identify underground leakage of water and aid in rectification. In phase two, they would also be taking up fixing aerators to all the taps on the campus to conserve water.



Solar Power Generation Topped Up

To supplement the efforts towards clean energy production, a 180 KVA solar power plant was commissioned on December 04, 2024, at SSSIHMS-Whitefield by the Managing Trustee, Mr RJ Rathnakar and Trustee, Mr Manohar Shetty, in the presence of the Director, Dr DC Sundaresh. With this, the existing solar power generation at SSSIHMS went from 100 KVA to 280 KVA. Both plants are expected to generate 4 lakh units of power per annum, against an annual requirement of 36 lakh units. SSSIHMS became the first hospital in India to install a 100 KVA solar power plant in 2016, and now, SSSIHMS – College of Nursing is the first nursing college to install a solar power plant of this capacity on its premises.

MATA Smart Access Control

In compliance with the Supreme Court of India directive (SMW Cr. No. 2/2024, dated 20-Aug-2024 & 22-Aug-2024) on ensuring safety, security, and a safe working environment for doctors and healthcare workers, MATA Smart Access Control has been implemented, which has strengthened security and streamlined entry/exit management across hospital premises through identity verification linked to HR management records. A total of 13 facial access doors were installed, out of which 9 are fully active and operational.

CTVS OT: LivaNova Sorin Stockert S5 Heart-Lung Machine

On May 20, 2024, the new heart-lung machine, valued at approximately ₹1 crore, was inaugurated at SSSIHMS. The S5 is a world-class perfusion system that delivers unmatched reliability and performance. Its advanced monitoring capabilities, modular design, and superior safety features ensure effective extracorporeal circulation, thereby strengthening the department's capacity to perform complex cardiovascular surgeries. Alongside this, two Mercury Heater-Cooler Systems were also procured. These devices are integral to heart-lung machine support, allowing precise regulation of blood and organ temperatures during cardiac surgery. They significantly improve surgical safety, optimise patient outcomes, and enhance efficiency in the operating room.

Neurosurgery and CTVS: Procurement of Smiths Medical Graseby 2100 Syringe Pumps

During Mar-Jul 2024, the hospital procured multiple Smiths Medical Graseby 2100 Syringe Pumps, valued at over ₹10 lakhs. These advanced pumps ensure accurate and consistent drug delivery during critical cardiac procedures. They support seamless patient management in ICUs and OTs of both departments.

New Laboratory Equipment Commissioned:

- Centrifuge for Liquid-Based Cytology
- Fluorescence Immunoassay Analyser
- Replacement of Plasma Freezer (Blood Bank)

These additions further reinforce the hospital's diagnostic infrastructure, supporting clinicians with precise, reliable, and timely test results for improved patient care.

LivaNova S5 Heart Lung Machine



ATHMA HIS Rollout

Since 2001, Enterprise Manager (EM) has been used for all patient processes. However, with evolving requirements and technology obsolescence, and the need for seamless integration with modern medical equipment, the ATHMA HIS (Hospital Information System) was evaluated and implemented. The system that was deployed in both Super Speciality hospitals (SSSIHMS, PG – Sep 29, 2024 & SSSIHMS, WF – Jan 26, 2025) issues a unified Medical Record Number (MRN) that can be used by patients across hospitals.

MedDream PACS Rollout

In parallel with HIS, the MedDream PACS system was implemented, replacing the legacy FujiFilm Synapse PACS. The new web-based, zero-footprint viewer facilitated rapid deployment across all clinical departments.

Key Benefits:

- MedDream seamlessly integrated with ATHMA HIS, enabling clinicians to view both clinical and imaging data in a single interface.
- Beyond traditional radiology modalities (X-ray, CT, MRI, Ultrasound), the PACS now includes Cardiology (ECHO, ECG, Cath Lab) and Dentistry (Dental X-ray).
- External radiologists securely access studies via VPN for timely reporting.

In line with the Trust's directive to consolidate IT infrastructure, the Centralisation Project was initiated with a focus on optimising resources, costs, and governance.

Objectives:

- Reduce licensing, subscription, and AMC costs.
- Optimise IT team resources to manage both hospital applications.
- Consolidate duplicate applications into single instances.
- Repurpose applications across hospitals.
- Enhance data security and compliance with regulatory standards.

Implementation:

- A robust VMware cluster with SAN storage has been deployed at SSSIHMS, PG.
- Major software centrally hosted:
ATHMA HIS (on Microsoft Azure Cloud)
Dynamics Navision ERP (for back-office functions)
JIRA (issue tracking across hospitals)

Academic Performance:

During the academic year 2024–25, our institution maintained a strong focus on academic excellence and continuous improvement. Overall, student performance showed consistent progress. The majority of students met or exceeded grade-level expectations, as evidenced by standardised test scores and internal assessments. In addition, our targeted support programs and enrichment initiatives contributed to higher achievement levels. Faculty commitment, student engagement, and parental involvement were critical factors in sustaining a positive academic trajectory throughout the year.

The snapshot of the performance of the final year students/trainees during the year 2024–25 is as follows:

Undergraduate Programs

#	Course	No. of students
1	B.Sc. – Nursing	32
2	B.Sc. Perfusion Technology	3
3	B.Sc. Cardiac Care Technology	9
4	B.Sc. Medical Imaging Technology	5
5	B.Sc. Medical Laboratory Technology	5
6	B.Sc. Anaesthesia & Operation Technology	8

Apart from 100% pass in UG Programs, 21 students (35%) secured distinction.

Postgraduate Programs

#	Course	No. of students
1	DNB (All specialities)	9
2	Fellowships	2

Introduction of MSc program in Echocardiography

This academic year, an MSc Program in Echocardiography, designed to provide advanced academic and clinical training in cardiac imaging, was also started. This program aims to equip healthcare professionals with in-depth knowledge and hands-on expertise in echocardiographic techniques, preparing them for specialised roles in cardiology and diagnostic imaging.

Academic Conferences & Educational Programs

Heart Rhythm Update (HRU-2024)

Department of Cardiology, SSSIHMS – WF, in collaboration with the Arrhythmia Alliance–Pacing for Life Charity, U.K., organised a one-day conference dedicated to Electrophysiology and Heart Rhythm Management on Oct 19, 2024. The event featured eminent faculty from Bangalore alongside Dr Mark Davies and Dr Girish, who shared their expertise and the latest advances in the field. With more than 100 delegates in attendance, the conference was a resounding success, fostering learning and collaboration in the evolving domain of arrhythmia care.

The 10th Edition of SPEED – Igniting Minds, Inspiring Excellence

The Department of Cardiology hosted the 10th edition of the Sri Sathya Sai Preparatory Course for Exam-going DM/DNB Cardiology Students (SPEED) on Mar 8–9, 2025. Over the years, SPEED has grown into a landmark academic event, eagerly awaited by cardiology residents and fellows across India.

The 2025 edition drew 240+ participants from across the nation—Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Jammu & Kashmir, Assam, West Bengal, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, all five southern states, and Puducherry. Faculty from premier institutions, including AIIMS New Delhi, JIPMER, and Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences, joined hands with our in-house consultants, Dr Banajit Barooah, Dr Reeta Varyani, Dr Prayaag Kini, Dr Ramnath Iyer, and Dr PK Dash, to deliver a transformative academic experience. Accredited by the Karnataka Medical Council (KMC) for CME credit points, SPEED 2025 was conducted in collaboration with the Hrudaya Vignan Trust, led by Dr D S Chadha.

Highlights:

- Real-case examinations, investigation interpretations, and viva-style presentations simulating final practical exams.
- Rare and complex case spectrum including Ruptured Sinus of Valsalva, Double Valve Disease, TOF, HOCM, Ebstein's Anomaly, LA Myxoma, CAD, and more.
- Academic formats such as cross-examinations, clinical flowchart discussions, rapid-fire spotters, ward round simulations, and high-impact lectures.

FACTS-II – Nurturing the Next Generation of Cardiac Technologists

On Mar 12, 2025, the Department of Cardiology, in collaboration with the Karnataka Allied Health Professionals Association (KAHPA), hosted the second edition of FACTS (Formative Assessment of Cardiac Care Technology Students). Tailored for final-year Cardiac Care Technology students, FACTS-II saw an overwhelming 460 registrations, with shortlisted participants filling the Dhanvantri Hall. The resounding feedback underscored its value as a platform that strengthens not only doctors but the entire cardiac care ecosystem.

Program highlights included:

- **Live transmissions from the Cath Lab**, showcasing real-time interventional cardiology procedures, including congenital and adult interventions.
- Lectures covering a wide range of topics:
 - Basics of congenital heart diseases
 - Device closures (ASD, VSD, PDA)
 - Rare anomalies (Coarctation of Aorta, RSOVA, coronary AV fistulae)
 - Balloon interventions & RVOT stenting
 - Key adult interventions (PTCA, PTMC, PTSMA)

Presentation at International Conference – ACC 2025, Chicago

Dr Reeta Varyani was an invited speaker at the American College of Cardiology's 2025 Scientific Session (ACC.25), during the Siemens Ultrasound-hosted symposium held in Chicago from Mar 29–31, 2025.

Representing SSSIHMS, Dr Varyani delivered a talk on "Right to Access for Cardiovascular Care Powered by Breakthrough Artificial Intelligence: India." In collaboration with eminent international experts, including Prof. Daniel José Piñeiro, Dr Krishna Rao, and Dr Julia Grapsa, Dr Varyani presented the real-world clinical implementation and outcomes of the ACUSON Origin system at SSSIHMS. She highlighted how AI-powered echocardiography workflows, such as automated view classification, chamber contouring, and strain analysis, have significantly improved diagnostic efficiency and reproducibility at the Institute.

The presentation also featured a descriptive series of ten complex cardiovascular cases, illustrating the successful application of AI tools across diverse clinical scenarios at SSSIHMS, further underlining the Institute's pioneering role in advancing equitable access to cutting-edge cardiovascular care.

71st Annual Conference of the Indian Association of Cardiovascular Thoracic Surgeons (IACTSCON 2025) – New Delhi, Feb 20, 2025

- Dr Dipika Niraimati, DNB Resident, presented a paper: “Surgical Bail Out for PTCA Complications – RCA Stuck Stent and Guidewire Removal Case Report.”
- Dr Samanvita Venkataramani, DNB Resident, presented a co-authored paper with the supervision of Dr Gautham Shetty: “Technical Challenge in Surgical Retrieval of Sinus of Valsalva Device.”
- Dr Dipika Niraimati, DNB Resident, presented a second co-authored paper with the supervision of Dr Gautham Shetty: “Unusual Presentation of Double Outlet Left Ventricle.”

Karnataka Neuroscience Academy Conference

Dr Saritha Aryan, HOD and Sr. Consultant, Neurosurgery, was invited as faculty to the conference held in Jun 2024. Dr Ajay Jhajharia, Junior Consultant, presented a paper entitled ‘Endoscopic Repair of CSF Rhinorrhoea.’

Anaesthesiology Department:

On Dec 7, 2024, the Department of Anaesthesiology hosted a CME/Workshop at Dhanvantri. The event focused on managing cardiac issues in paediatric, adult, and geriatric patients undergoing non-cardiac surgery. Aimed at postgraduates and practising general anaesthesiologists, the conference drew 79 attendees from both Bengaluru and outside the state.

Programs Conducted for Nursing Services:

#	Program / Topic	Target Group & Participants
1	Class on Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis by Alpa	Nursing Staff & Nursing College Students – 88 participants
2	BRMC Training by Counselling Dept. (Patient education before/ after admission, surgery, discharge)	Neuro Ward Staff – 10 participants
3	Hands-on Training / Workshop on Vacuumized Blood Collection	Nursing Staff, Lab Technicians – 50 participants
4	Training on Ultrasound-Guided IV Cannulation by Dr. Aditya	Nursing Staff – 56 participants
5	BLS Training	Nursing Interns – 32 participants
6	GICS Critical Care Workshop	Nursing Staff – 138 participants
7	Fire Evacuation Drill by Suraksha Surge	Emergency Response Team – 50 participants

CME on Infection Control at SSSIHMS, Whitefield

A Continuing Medical Education (CME) program on Infection Control was conducted at SSSIHMS–Whitefield on Jun 01, 2024, with the objective of strengthening practices in infection prevention and patient safety. The CME brought together eminent speakers from leading institutions, who shared insights on surveillance methods, antimicrobial stewardship, and best practices in infection prevention. The program emphasised hospital-acquired infection (HAI) surveillance, including ventilator-associated events (VAE), central line-associated bloodstream infections (CLABSI), catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI), and surgical site infections (SSI). The sessions also highlighted needle stick injury management, antimicrobial stewardship, and practical aspects of infection control in ICUs and special situations.

Dr Reeta Varyani, representing SSSIHM at ACC.25, Chicago



Counselling Department:

The Training sessions were conducted for the counsellors on the following topics with relevant case studies:

- Apr 2024: Forgiveness, Patient Profile Documentation
- Jun 2024: Power of thought
- Sep 2024: Acceptance, Thoughts of Wounds
- Oct 2024: Anger
- Jan 2025: Emotional and Physical pain, Nature of the Mind
- Mar 2025: Listening

Apart from these, training sessions were conducted for the Nursing interns on BRMC techniques and the Theory and practice of the Person-Centred Approach.

Inauguration of the Sri Sathya Sai Nethra Mithra – New Mobile Eye Care Seva



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Anaesthesiology:

- Dr Kolli S. Chalam of the Anaesthesiology department has been involved in several key professional and academic activities.
 - Chairperson and Moderator: He was the chairperson for a scientific session at the PG Excel 2025 conference in Bengaluru and the chief moderator for the 'Conundrum of Cardiac Maladies in ICU plenary session at the Global Intensive Care Symposium (GICS) 2024.
 - Course Director: He served as the course director for the Critical Care Nursing Workshop at SSSIHMS, where he helped train 169 critical care nursing professionals.
 - Invited Faculty and Panellist: At ISACON Karnataka 2024, he was an invited faculty member for the Pre-Conference Airway Workshop, where he gave a lecture and participated in a panel discussion. He also chaired a session on Thoracic Anaesthesia at the main conference.
 - Examiner: Dr Chalam has served as an examiner for national-level postgraduate examinations in Anaesthesiology at SSSIHMS and Holy Family Hospital, as well as for the FIACTA Fellowship Examination organised by the Indian College of Cardiac Anaesthesiologists (ICCA).
 - Representative: He represented the AHA Training Site of SSSIHMS at the American Heart Association's Resuscitation and Healthcare Quality Summit 2024.
- Summaries of presentations from the Anaesthesia Department
 - Emergency CABG in a Patient with Takayasu Arteritis: Poster presentation at IACTACON 2025.
 - Combined Nerve Block for CRTD and ICD Devices: A paper presented at IACTACON 2025.

Awards and Recognitions:

- Dr Prayaag Kini and Ms Jayashree from SSSIHMS-Whitefield were honoured with the Best Presentation Awards at AHSCON 2024, the annual conference of the Karnataka Allied and Healthcare Professionals Association (KAHPA), on Sep 4, 2024, at the Cauvery Group of Institutions, Mysuru.
- Dr Prayaag Kini was honoured with the Best Research Paper Award, a recognition of his outstanding academic contribution in the field of paediatric cardiology at the 24th Annual Conference of the Paediatric Cardiac Society of India (PCSI) held from Nov 14 to 17, 2024, on the theme "Transforming Paediatric Cardiac Care: Global Challenges, Indian Perspectives".
- The 76th Annual Conference of the Cardiological Society of India (CSI 2024) was held from Dec 5 to 8, 2024, at Hyderabad. Dr Prayaag Kini, Dr Reeta Varyani, and Dr Banajit Barooah received the Best Original Research Award, selected from among more than 1,500 papers submitted at the conference. Adding to this remarkable recognition, Dr Prayaag Kini was further honoured with two additional Second-Best Research Awards, underscoring the Institute's growing reputation for impactful contributions to cardiovascular research.
- Dr Prayaag Kini received the Best Research Paper Award at the Annual Conference of the Heart Failure Society of India (HFSI 2025) held from February 7 to 9, 2025, in Mumbai.
- Dr Prayaag Kini was also honoured with the Best Research Paper Award at India Live 2025, held in March 2025.
- Ms Jayashree distinguished herself by securing the Third Prize in the student competition at the Annual Conference of the Karnataka Allied Health Professionals Association (KAHPA 2025) held on February 15 and 16, 2025, at Bengaluru.
- Dr Aditya, DNB Resident, won the Best Paper Award for his presentation entitled "Dural Arterio-Venous Fistula causing Secondary Chiari Malformation," at the Bangalore Neurological Society Meet, Jan 2024
- Since 2021, SSSIHMS-Whitefield has recycled over 100 tons of waste through authorised recyclers. On December 19, 2024, the Centre of Science and Environment acknowledged the efforts made by SSSIHMS as a Changemaker towards a sustainable environment and was featured as a case study in a report brought out during an event held in New Delhi, in the presence of Ms Roopa Mishra, JS & Mission Director, Swachh Bharat Mission.
- An article highlighting the inception, growth, and achievements of the Department of Neurosurgery, SSSIHMS, Whitefield, was published in Neurology India (Oct 19, 2024), a leading neurosurgery journal. The article appeared in the special feature section "Citadels Sculpting Future", which showcases eminent neurosurgical institutions across the country.



Academic Achievements:

- Ms Swathi Pansal (Batch of 2018) secured 7th position in the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS) Rank List for the B.Sc. (Cardiac Care Technology) programme.
- Ms Harini Mohanraj (Batch of 2019) secured the 4th position in the RGUHS Rank List for the same programme.
- Ms Sreelakshmi (Batch of 2018) – Secured 9th Rank (Karnataka State) in the RGUHS Rank List.

Volunteering:

- Dr DS Chadha, a renowned Cardiac Interventionalist from Manipal Hospital, Bangalore, and former Head of Cardiology, Command Hospital Bangalore, visited the Institute multiple times during the year. With the increasing prevalence of complex coronary cases—often referred to as “bad arteries”—his mentorship was invaluable. These cases require specialised skills, equipment, and materials. Under his guidance, the SSSIHMS Whitefield team successfully performed several Complex Coronary Interventions. The Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust supported these treatments by providing high-cost IVL catheters, Rotablator consumables, and IVUS catheters.
- Dr Ashok Garg & Dr Sivaraman Yegyaraman, both eminent Electrophysiologists, who have been visiting SSSIHMS twice annually for over two decades, offered their services, treating 18 patients with arrhythmias, and implanting 13 heart failure devices. The SSSIHMS Whitefield team also received updated training in Electrophysiology. This program was supported by the Heart Valve Bank (HVB), India and Medtronic, USA.
- Dr Nageshwar Rao, a distinguished Paediatric Cardiologist and developer of a novel device for closure of congenital heart defects, visited the Institute on Jun 8, 2024, to mentor cardiologists in complex device implantations. 17 children benefited from this workshop. Impressed by the range of anatomic malformations encountered, he remarked that “these cases could be part of any International Live Conference.”
- From Sep 9 to 13, 2024, the Institute was privileged to host Dr Komandoor Srivathsan, Head of Electrophysiology at Mayo Clinic, Arizona, along with regular volunteering faculty, Dr Yegyaraman and Dr Garg. 32 radiofrequency ablations for arrhythmias were performed, and 10 heart failure devices were implanted.
- Supported by the AA-PFL Charity, Dr Girish and Dr Mark Davis contributed their expertise during their visit from Oct 14 to 19, 2024, performing 33 complex arrhythmia ablations and completing 10 CRT device implantations and carrying out several conduction system pacings.
- Continuing their long-standing association, Dr Sivaraman Yegyaraman & Dr Ashok Garg visited again from Feb 5 to 7, 2025, performing 18 complex ablations and 13 heart failure device implants. This benefitted more than 30 patients, while also enriching the knowledge and skills of resident doctors and consultants. Dr Yegyaraman spent a day in Mar 2025 at the Institute mentoring consultants in the implantation of heart failure devices, supported by Boston Scientific, USA.

- In April 2024, a pioneering seva initiative called #V-R-4-SAI (Virtual Radiology for Sai, We-Are-For-SAI) was launched, enabling Radiologists across the globe to offer their expertise to SSSIHMS through a secure, web-based MedDream PACS (which was subsequently integrated with the ATHMARIS/HIS system in Jan 2025). This model allows radiologists to access hospital imaging remotely over VPN and provide timely reports. The initiative has drawn a dedicated pool of volunteer Radiologists, many of them alumni and former staff of the Department of Radiology at SSSIHMS, as well as other professionals inspired to contribute.

Noteworthy Initiatives:

- An extensive Electrical Thermography and Infrared Imaging Audit was successfully conducted across the hospital campus on Aug 31, 2024. Thermography, a non-destructive testing method, uses specialised infrared cameras to detect heat patterns from electrical components. This technique enables early identification of potential hazards such as loose connections, deteriorated insulation, or overloaded circuits, thereby preventing equipment failures, fires, and electrical accidents. The audit was carried out by Sri. Dinesh, Electrical Audit Consultant, covering 1,500+ locations across the premises. Out of these, 39 sites were identified as defective. All issues were promptly rectified, and corrective actions were completed. A follow-up thermography study of these 39 locations confirmed that all were in proper working condition, with no hotspots or risks detected.
- In a further effort towards going zero waste to landfill, the SSSIHMS-RWA has entered into an MoU with Bintix Waste Research Pvt. Ltd. to collect and process segregated dry waste from the residential campus of SSSIHMS-Whitefield. They started operations in early 2024 on the eve of World Zero Waste Day. Bintix is an award-winning company in the waste technology sector and has been responsible for processing close to 4,000 tons of waste and keeping them away from landfills. The SSSIHMS-RWA has already been composting the organic waste for a few years, and the compost generated is being used in the nutrition garden, supplying fresh fruits & vegetables to the public canteen and dietary kitchen.
- The Sri Sathya Sai Seva Samithi, SSSIHMS Whitefield, based the Balvikas Summer Camp, May 2024, on the theme, 'ReSAIcle', to sensitise children about waste management. The 2-week program included sessions on waste segregation, composting, bookbinding, art from waste, etc. During the camp, children undertook plogging on campus, visited the Swachhagraha Kalika Kendra, a composting learning centre, and a Material Recovery Facility to see waste being processed and sent for responsible recycling. The children put up a drama about Reduce, Reuse, Recycle on the final day.
- In the Centenary year of Bhagawan's advent, the third edition of the 100-mile S.A.I Ultramarathon was held on Dec 13-14, 2024. Satish, Jay and Bharatesh ran the 161 km from SSSIHMS-Whitefield to SSSIHL-Prasanthi Nilayam over two days. This year, students of the men's campuses of Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning joined in the run for a short distance. The marathon also coincided with the Sustainability Week celebrations conducted by the Brindavan campus of SSSIHL.



Sri Sathya Sai General Hospital, Whitefield (Bengaluru)

Established in 1976, the Sri Sathya Sai General Hospital (SSSGH) in Whitefield is celebrating a major milestone as it enters its 50th year. This event marks five decades of providing completely free, high-quality healthcare to the community, continuing its legacy of selfless service and humanitarian mission.

In the financial year 2024–25, the hospitals at Whitefield continued to provide comprehensive tertiary and secondary healthcare completely free of cost, touching thousands of lives with compassionate care.

- A total of 1,37,058 outpatient consultations were provided in FY 2024–25.
- The hospital also undertook a wide range of surgical services, performing a total of 3562 surgeries, including: 331 gynaecological surgeries, 294 caesarean sections, 567 deliveries, 867 general surgeries, 88 urology procedures, 1,031 ophthalmology surgeries, 318 orthopaedic interventions, and 633 ENT surgeries.

Highlights:

- Denture rehabilitation program: Between Apr 2024 and Mar 2025, the Dental Department at SSSIHMS successfully provided complete dentures to close to 70 patients as part of its ongoing denture rehabilitation program.
- The hospital has launched a paediatric vaccination program, with vaccines provided by the District Health Office (DHO) every week. All patient information is entered into the U Win portal, and this is open to all who require vaccinations.
- The Gastroenterology Department was established in November 2024 with the assistance of three honorary visiting consultants. Currently, its services are limited to outpatient consultations, with plans to soon expand into diagnostic services.

Infrastructure / Technology - Additions / Upgrades:

- The GE Venue Pro (also known as Venue Go) Ultrasound Machine, valued at about ₹ 27 lakhs, was installed on Sep 18, 2024. This portable device is in the CTVS ICU, where it is used by the Anaesthesiology Department for bedside scans and to provide nerve blocks for surgical patients in the multi-speciality unit.
- The Sopix RVG, an intraoral X-ray device, was installed in May 2024. This new device replaces a previous sensor from 2013 and is integrated with the hospital's PACS system, allowing for seamless digital imaging.
- The new Waveultra ultrasonic cleaner was installed in September 2024 to clean medical instruments in the Multi-speciality Operation Theatre. The Indian-manufactured product uses high-frequency sound waves to dislodge contaminants and ensure instruments are properly sterilised.
- Enhanced Cervical Cancer Screening with LBC: We have transitioned our cervical cancer screening process from the conventional Pap smear to Liquid-Based Cytology (LBC). This upgrade allows for a more effective and accurate screening method.
- The Orthopaedic Department's power tools were upgraded in December 2024 with new products from Johnson & Johnson, enhancing the department's surgical capabilities.
- In November 2024, the Paediatric Department upgraded all four of its phototherapy machines with the latest LED Brilliance pro blue light sources. The new machines offer intensity greater than 40 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2/\text{nm}$, which helps promote a faster recovery from physiological jaundice in newborns.
- The hospital has procured and installed an Ice-Lined Refrigerator (ILR) for the cold chain storage of vaccines in June 2024.

Academic Conferences & Educational Programs:

- The Obstetrics and Gynaecology Department held a full-day conference on March 2, 2025. The 66 attendees included postgraduate students from various medical colleges in Bengaluru, SSSIHMS postgraduates, and consultants from other hospitals.
- Dr Sharmila Nagendran, HOD and Consultant, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, presented a paper on 'Diagnostic Challenges in Müllerian Anomalies: A Case Series' at Gnanavarsha, Bengaluru, from November 23–24, 2024.
- Dr Sharmila Nagendran was awarded second prize for the poster presentation 'A Case of Unicornuate Uteri with Left Distal Atrophic Remnant Uteri: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Challenges' at the 34th KASOGA conference in Hassan, from November 8–10, 2024. This was a joint presentation with Dr Priya.
- Dr Neekita presented a paper on 'Laparoscopic Pectopexy: An Innovative Technique for Post-Hysterectomy Vault Prolapse Compared to Laparoscopic Sacrocolpopexy' at the 24th Annual Congress of the Asia Pacific Association in Chennai, from Aug 29 – Sep 1, 2024.
- Dr Kavya Kshatriya, Sr. Resident, OBG, presented a poster on 'Diagnostic Challenges in Müllerian Anomalies: A Case Report' at Gnanavarsha, Bengaluru, from Nov 23–24, 2024.

- Dr Rachitha M Prasad, Sr. Resident, OBG, presented a paper at the International Conference on Clinical Gynaecology and Women’s Oncology in Hanoi, Vietnam, from Feb 11–12, 2025.
- Throughout the year, postgraduate students from the Department of Public Health Dentistry at MS Ramaiah Dental College completed one-month rotations at the SSSIHMS Dental Clinic. These internships were part of their community postings.

Awards and Recognitions:

Honouring Dr DC Sundaresh – Lifetime Achievement & KOA Fellowship

September 12–14, 2024, marked a historic moment of recognition for Dr DC Sundaresh, Senior Orthopaedic Consultant, during the 21st Annual Conference of the Indian Arthroscopy Society (IASCON 2024) held at Hilton Garden Inn, Bengaluru Embassy Manyata Business Park. Themed ‘Future Ready’, the conference brought together experts for live surgeries, workshops, panel discussions, and sessions on advanced arthroscopy and rehabilitation.

In this prestigious forum, Dr Sundaresh was conferred the Life-Time Achievement Award by the Indian Arthroscopic Society (IAS) in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the field of orthopaedics, exemplary clinical service, and commitment to medical education and patient care.

Further amplifying this honour, the Karnataka Orthopaedic Association (KOA) instituted a landmark fellowship in his name—the “Dr DC Sundaresh KOA Inland Fellowship.” Endowed by his colleagues with a corpus, this fellowship will annually support and encourage young orthopaedic surgeons.



Ongoing Research Projects:

- A case series presentation from SSSGH, Whitefield, describing the incidental discovery and surgical management of vaginal cysts. The study was conducted by Dr Priyanka Raj, Dr Sharmila, and Dr Neekita Pradhan, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.
- Levonorgestrel Intrauterine System for Abnormal Uterine Bleeding: Dr Sharmila Nagendran is conducting a case series to evaluate the effectiveness of the levonorgestrel intrauterine system in managing abnormal uterine bleeding in women with cardiovascular disease who are on anticoagulants.
- Drotaverine vs. Valethamate in Labour: Dr Neekitha Pradhan is leading a comparative study to assess the effectiveness of drotaverine hydrochloride and valethamate bromide in labour.
- Uric Acid Levels and Gestational Diabetes: Dr Rachitha M Prasad is performing a prospective study to determine the association between serum uric acid levels in early pregnancy and the subsequent development of gestational diabetes mellitus.
- Mifepristone for Cervical Ripening: A randomised controlled study to determine the effectiveness of mifepristone as a pre-induction cervical ripening agent in term pregnancies is being carried out by Dr Kavya Kshatriya, Sr. Resident, OBG.
- Dr Kavya Kshatriya is also doing Endometriosis and Progestin Therapy: A study comparing the quality of life and mental health in patients with endometriosis before and after progestin therapy.
- The Orthopaedic Department has an ongoing research project that investigates the use of autologous platelet-derived growth factors to promote cartilage regeneration in patients with knee osteoarthritis. The study has received ethical committee clearance.
- The Orthopaedic Department is undertaking a study that aims to assess the functional outcomes of total hip arthroplasty, specifically by evaluating the relationship between spinopelvic mobility and the functional positioning of the acetabular cup (the socket part of the hip replacement).

College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences

Bhagawan set up this institution as a model for ideal education in nursing and allied health sciences in September 2008. It is the only college in the country to provide such high-quality education to deserving candidates completely free. The college is affiliated with the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bengaluru, for its B.Sc. Nursing, B.Sc. Anaesthesia & Operation Technology, B.Sc. Cardiac Care Technology, B.Sc. Imaging Technology, B.Sc. Medical Laboratory Technology and B.Sc. Perfusion Technology courses. The college aims to produce 'Humane Healthcare Professionals' who value patient care more than commercial gain, and who are equipped with the right skills required to guarantee the best clinical outcomes.

Sri Sathya Sai Education in Human Values Programme

The Programme was presented by the III-year students of the College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences on April 27, 2024, at Dhanvantari Hall, during which the Merit Award Distribution ceremony was held to felicitate the toppers in the EHV examination. In his Inaugural Address, Dr DC Sundaresh, Director, SSSIHMS-WF, emphasised the application of EHV values in daily life with his motivational message on the 5Ds and 5Ps.

The students presented a variety of cultural programmes such as a Mohini Bhasmasura dance, a play depicting Ravana's devotion to Lord Shiva and a symposium on 'Sai Philosophy of Education'.

The guest of honour for the occasion, Dr HS Ganesh Bhatta, Professor and Former Principal, MES College, Bangalore, delivered his address, stressing the importance of the EHV course and the values nurses should uphold in their profession.



International Nurses Day

International Nurses Day was celebrated on May 11, 2024, in Charaka Hall. The theme of this year was: 'Our Nurses, Our Future – The Economic Power of Care' and Ms Jomole, Staff Nurse, Neuro Ward, delivered a talk on the theme.

Internal Sports & Cultural Meet

On Jul 22, 2024, the internal sports and cultural meet was held at the Sai Veda Venkataramana Health & Fitness Centre. The sports oath was administered by Dr DC. Sundaresh to all the students, and the meet was formally declared open with a friendly shuttle match. A total of 25 events comprising both sports and cultural competitions were conducted from Jul 22 to Aug 6, 2024.

World Breastfeeding Week

The event was celebrated from Aug 1 to 7, 2024, by the III-year B.Sc. Nursing students, on the theme for this year was: 'Support for All – Breastfeeding for All.' The programme was organised under the guidance of Dr AR Manjjuri, Principal, College of Nursing, with the support of Dr Sharmila, Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, SSSGH. Prof Rupa Devi P (Department of Midwifery and Obstetrical Nursing), along with the students, coordinated the activities. Educative posters on the theme were displayed near the main notice board of the hospital, health education was given in OPD to the antenatal women using flash cards and demonstration, and a skit on the importance of breastfeeding was performed in Charaka Hall. Apart from this, during the week, information pamphlet on breastfeeding was distributed to the antenatal women at the Obstetrics and Gynaecology OPD in English, Kannada, Telugu and Hindi languages.

Inservice Education Programme:

The Final Year B.Sc. Nursing students (Batch 2020–2024) organised a Continuing Education Programme on 'Paediatric Critical Care Nursing' on Aug 5, 2024. Student speakers Ms Nikita Chettri spoke on 'Overview on basic concepts of paediatric critical care unit' and Ms Sagarika Singh Ramudamu on 'Assessment of critically ill paediatric child'. Dr Sowmya Velamala, MD, Paediatrics Consultant, Dept of Paediatrics, SSSIHMS, addressed the gathering on the topic 'Emergency Management and Rehabilitation of Critically Ill Paediatric Patients'. This was followed by the activity session conducted by the final year students.

Graduation Ceremony

The Graduation Ceremony for the XI and XII batches of B.Sc. Nursing and Allied Health Sciences students were held on Oct 24, 2024. The Chief Guest was Mrs Vandita Sharma (Retd. IAS Officer). About 92 graduates received medals and certificates, including the Smt. Easwaramma Gold Medals for All-Round Performance and Academic Excellence.

Sai Samskruthi Vaibhavam (The Glory of Sai Culture)

The orientation programme, Sai Samskruthi Vaibhavam (The Glory of Sai Culture) was organised on Oct 29–30, for the XVII Batch. The programme aimed to familiarise students with the values, philosophy, and culture of Sri Sathya Sai Baba, fostering spiritual growth alongside professional development.

On the first day, there were talks by Mr Prem Anosh (Alumnus SSSIHL, Member SSSMC), Mr Krishna Kumar (SSS Sadhana Trust), Dr T Ravi Kumar (Warden, Brindavan Campus) and Mrs Amrutha KV (Alumna, Nursing College). The following day, talks were delivered by Dr Sowmya Srinivasan (Assistant Professor, Dept. of English Language & Literature, SSSIHL), Dr Kamakshi Kannan (Senior Consultant & HOD, Department of Paediatrics, SSSIHMS) and Karthik N (Alumnus, SSSIHL & Senior Manager, Finance and Accounts, SSSIHMS). The program concluded with an interactive session led by Dr AR Manjjuri, Principal, SSSIHMS–CON and Students were divided into groups and engaged in scenario-based discussions inspired by the human values highlighted by the expert speakers.

Sri Sathya Sai Annual Sports & Cultural Meet

In celebration of the Centenary Year, the students of the College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences & Anantapur campus, SSSIHL, together offered their love in the form of a cultural presentation on the theme 'Language of Heart'. The Flying & Bamboo Dragon Dance was exclusively performed by the College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences program. The bamboo performance by the girls is the first of its kind in India. The performance with a 20-foot-high pole, weighing 25 kg, is not only physically impressive but also carries its own symbolic weight, reflecting the strength of mind, spirit, and body— the hallmark of students of Sathya Sai.

Community Outreach & Awareness Programs

- World Health Day, Apr 07, 2024: Charts on the theme 'Healthy Beginnings, Hopeful Future' were prepared by the students and displayed.
- World Earth Day, Apr 22, 2024: Under the guidance of the Principal, College of Nursing, and coordinated by Mrs Niveditha KN, Associate Professor – Community Health Nursing, along with the 4th-year B.Sc. World Health Day was observed on the theme 'Planet vs Plastics'. Activities such as slogan writing & drawing competitions, gardening in the premises, and an awareness program at the Community Health Centre, Avalahalli, Bangalore Rural, were conducted.
- School Health Programme, Apr 23, 2024: As part of the Community Health Nursing-II posting, the 4th-year B.Sc. Nursing students (Batch 2023-2024) organised a traditional puppet show on the theme 'Personal Hygiene and Balanced Diet' at the Government Primary School & Anganwadi, K. Dommasandra, Avalahalli, Bangalore Rural.
- Immunisation Week, Apr 24 to 30, 2024: A 20-minute performance depicted the difference between immunised and non-immunised children. And counselling sessions were conducted for mothers in the Gynaecology OPD, emphasising vaccine schedules and their role in disease prevention.
- Hypertension Week, May 13 to 17, 2024: The B.Sc. 3rd Semester Nursing students organised the event on the theme, 'Measure Your Blood Pressure Regularly and Try to Control It!' Hypertension Week aimed to promote awareness on prevention, screening, and management of hypertension. Dr Reeta Varyani, HOD – Cardiology, delivered a keynote address on hypertension on May 17, which was followed by demonstrations of Yoga, Pranayama, and Laughter Therapy by students. During the week, BP screening of staff across hospital premises (reception, canteen, library, etc.) was conducted.
- International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, Jun 18, 2024: The theme for this year's observance was, 'The Evidence is Clear: Invest in Prevention.'
- Complementary Feeding Week (Jul 21 to 27, 2024): A 30-minute demonstration educated parents on feeding practices and management of complications. Interactive sessions with mothers in the Paediatric OPD, focusing on safe complementary feeding practices.
- World Alzheimer's Day, Sep 21, 2024: The Day was observed on the theme, 'Time to Act on Dementia, Time to Act on Alzheimer's'. The programme included poster displays highlighting Alzheimer's, its risk factors, management, and preventive measures. A mime performance was staged at Cadabams Rehabilitation Centre, depicting how different risk factors contribute to Alzheimer's and ways to cope with the condition.



Sri Sathya Sai General Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam

Sri Sathya Sai General Hospital is the first medical institution started by Bhagawan in 1956. It continues to provide quality, primary and secondary medical care and also facilitates patients' referral to centres of tertiary medical care. The services have increased in quantum and spectrum after Puttaparthi was declared as the Sri Sathya Sai District in April 2022.

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology provides extensive service since ours is the only Hospital for Obstetrics services for 5 Mandals around Puttaparthi. It is supported by the Department of Paediatrics, which has a NICU attached to it. Many pregnant women with associated difficult medical conditions like heart disease, thyroid problems, diabetes mellitus, and severe anaemia are also taken up for delivery owing to the support provided by an excellent Department of Medicine, especially the Emergency Medical Department.





The daily outpatient service caters to 800 to 1000 patients with a variety of Medical Problems. The Department of Emergency Medicine provides 24/7 service and is a boon for patients with emergency problems. Every day, at least 3 patients are treated for snake bites, which are common in the district, and the full range of treatment from Antivenom to blood coagulation preparation is made available and provided to the patients. There is also a special 'Lifestyle Clinic' catering to patients with diseases like Diabetes, Hypertension, Stroke and Heart Disease. It is manned by an Honorary Senior Consultant and a Dietitian.

The Hospital also takes care of the medical needs of the thousands of pilgrims who come for Swami's darshan every day, and that of students of the educational institutions run by the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust. Similarly, Sevadals who come for offering service to the Ashram have their medical needs attended to by the hospital.

The ENT service is now comprehensive as all relevant surgeries are performed, and the full-fledged audiology lab set up last year has enhanced the services.

The department of Dentistry, with 3 dental chairs, takes care of nearly 100 patients every day, and a variety of procedures are done.

The auxiliary departments of Laboratory, X-ray, Dietary, Physiotherapy and Podiatry play an important role in delivering quality Patient Care.

The Hospital is also recognised by the National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences, New Delhi, for a Postgraduate course in Family Medicine. There are 6 residents at any given time, and the pass percentage every year has been nearly 100%.

The General Hospital continues to provide its operation theatre, nursing staff, and drugs for the Sri Sathya Sai Mobile Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam, for General Surgery, ENT, Gynaecology and Oncology Patients.

The Hospital is managed by 34 Doctors, 59 Nursing Staff and 54 Supporting Staff. In addition, many Doctors of different specialities come from both overseas and different parts of the Country and render voluntary service for varying periods.

Sri Sathya Sai Mobile Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam

Sri Sathya Sai Mobile Hospital, Prasanthi Nilayam, started by Bhagawan in March 2006, continues to serve the rural population around Puttaparthi, benefitting 350 villages in and around Sri Sathya Sai District with a population of 6 lakhs. It renders high-quality medical service, both curative and preventive, to the villagers, from the 1st to the 12th of every month at fixed nodal villages.

Its highlight is that primary and secondary medical care are delivered in the field by a team of 300 doctors belonging to 15 specialities, who come in rotation and render free voluntary service. Aiding the doctors is the Sanjeevini Diagnostic Bus gifted by Bhagawan, which has a laboratory, digitised X-ray, ultrasound, colour Doppler, ECG and a cabin for the Ophthalmology department. About 500 to 600 patients with different ailments get the benefit of treatment every day.

Patients with chronic ailments like Diabetes Mellitus, Hypertension, Heart Disease, Epilepsy, Asthma, and Thyroid diseases are examined, monitored and given medicines for one month.

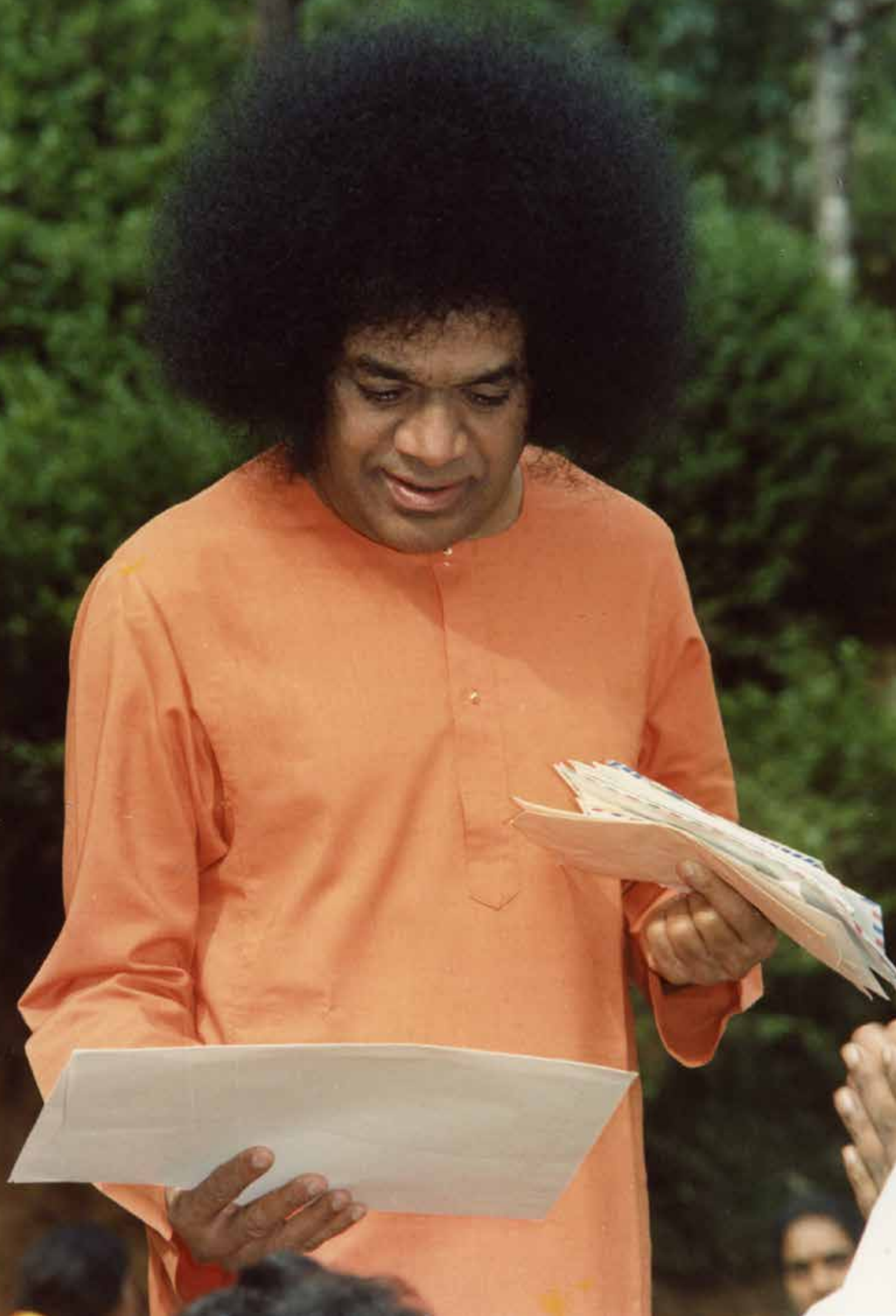
Patients requiring a CT and MRI scan are referred to the SSSIHMS-PG with a referral letter and fixed appointment. Patients requiring surgery are identified, evaluated on the field, and the surgeries are undertaken in the SSSGH and SSSIHMS-PG by the surgeons of the Mobile Hospital, with the technical support of these hospitals. Thus, a fine integration of the resources of the three hospitals ensures primary, secondary and tertiary care are integrated in a unique model.

This innovative model gifted by Bhagawan has stood the test of time and is attracting the attention of the Government and other healthcare planners as an answer to the country's rural health service challenges.

Specialty	No. of Patients
Antenatal	1133
Dental	3527
Dermatology	140
ENT	3759
Epilepsy	1704
General Surgery	4293
General (F)	2485
General (MS)	22726
Gynaecology	2272
Ophthalmology	4765
Orthopaedics	8641
Paediatrics	1366
Review	1654
Thyroid	1323
GRAND TOTAL	59788

Particulars	No. of Patients
Total no. of patients	59788
Total no. of surgeries	520
Total no. of investigations	35,810
Total number of mandals covered in & around Puttaparthi	53





Educare

“Education must teach a person what life is, and what its goals are. It must purify the heart and clarify the vision. It must prevent pollution of the hand, heart and head by habits injurious to the individual, society and the nation. It must promote virtues and raise the moral and spiritual standards of the educated.”

– Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba

Statistics for 2024-25

Institution	Student Strength			Academic Staff	Non Academic Staff
	Total	Boys	Girls		
SSS Primary and Higher Secondary School Puttaparthi	1205	757	448	84	23
Smt. Eswaramma High School (Non-Residential), Puttaparthi	749	334	404	46	5
SSS Gurukulam English Medium School Rajamahendravaram	1208	651	557	53	5
SSS Primary School New Delhi	116	61	55	10	2
SSS Institute of Higher Learning	1636	1056	580	129	63
TOTAL STRENGTH	4914	2859	2043	322	98

Annual Expenditure for all Educational Institutions



₹3.02 Crores

Total Capital Expenditure



₹28.30 Crores

Total Revenue Expenditure

Average Academic Staff - Students Ratio

1:15

Average Amount Spent per year

₹ 30,300
per School student
₹ 2,51,000
per University student

Education is provided free of charge to all



Introduction

The Sri Sathya Sai Educational System is a visible manifestation of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's vision of education for human transformation. It aims to mould the students into holistic individuals who are socially responsible and spiritually aware, embodying the values under right attitude through Educare that caters to the physical, intellectual, emotional, psychological and spiritual dimensions of the human personality. This is done by embedding the five core human values of Truth, Righteousness, Peace, Love and Non-Violence into every aspect of education.

Some of the unique and distinguishing facets of the Sri Sathya Sai Educational Philosophy are:

- Free education accessible to all irrespective of caste, colour, creed or religion with an open admission policy that is purely merit-based.
- Major focus on character development, in addition to academic excellence.
- Inculcation of moral values through an integral system of education with focus on duty and discipline.
- Being residential in nature, the teachers' guidance and support can be sought 24/7.
- Encourages participation in all cultural and religious festivities and programmes during the academic year facilitating appreciation of cultural diversity and unity among various faiths resulting in expansion of heart and developing a broad outlook in life.



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Sri Sathya Sai Primary and Higher Secondary School

Genesis and Inspiration

The Sri Sathya Sai Higher Secondary School is inspired, initiated and lovingly nurtured by Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba. He is its life and soul, motivation and goal. Under His direct guidance and loving care, the school embarked on its mission of moulding young minds on Jun 15, 1981.

'Character Development with Academic Excellence' has been the governing principle of all endeavours in the school. The school, at every step, big or small, is guided by the comprehensive educational philosophy of Bhagawan, who emphatically advocates **'Education should be for life and not for a living'**.

Mission

The relentless pursuit of the school has been:

To lay the foundation of a noble character of moral integrity, brotherhood, patriotism and sacrifice in the young minds so that they grow straight and strong as ideal leaders who can shape the destiny of the nation.

Co-curricular Activities

The Freshers' Day at the beginning of the academic year welcomes the fresh candidates of Class VIII and Class XI with a bunch of programs invoking the blessings of our dearest lord Bhagawan Baba and bringing out the talents of the freshers.

The Hostel Anniversary on Jul 23 every year unveils the emotional bonding of the students to the hostel and its founder through various programs throughout the day.

The Independence Day Celebrations expose a flood of talents in School students, wherein they present various programs on the significance of the day and portray national fervour through their presentations.

The festival of Krishna Janmashtami brought forth joy and devotional fervour when the students took the cows from Sri Sathya Sai Gokulam in procession towards the Mandir, seeking blessings from Lord Sai Krishna. The celebrations reached their peak in the hostel when the students participated in pot-breaking games, which mark the tradition of this festival.

The festival of Lord Ganesha brought unique festivity to the whole campus when the students performed Ganesh Pujas, designed and constructed chariots to carry the Ganesh idols in procession towards the Mandir. This occasion witnessed the planning, engineering and coordinating skills of most of the students.

The festival of Dasara also marks celebrations at the hostel, wherein the students perform elaborate pujas and rituals to the Goddess on all the days of Navaratri.



The students of the school participated in the Annual Sports and Cultural Meet conducted on January 11, like every year. This being the Centenary year, the event was very grand, and the students of the school participated with enthusiasm. The students portray their dynamic skills through Gymnastics, Synchronised Acrobatics, Daredevil Stunts, etc. Students put up a drama in the mandir on Jan 12 on the theme, 'Karunyamatantvate - Beyond Success'. This was a social drama which connected well with the audience.

Every student in SSSHSS is given an opportunity to participate in various extracurricular activities like Public Speaking, Quiz Programs, Skit Competitions, Advertisement Campaign Competitions, Dance Competitions, Dumb Charade, Bhajan Antakshari, Drawing and Painting Competitions, Vedam Chanting and Explanation Competitions, etc. These activities blossom a child into a personality of all-round excellence.

This is a function in which the outgoing students are honoured and rewarded for their selfless services rendered in various activities throughout the academic year in both the Hostel and the School. This program in the month of February consisted of various presentations like skits, music and dance by all the other classes, hosted with a special dinner.

The outgoing students of SSSHSS (X and XII Classes) offer their gratitude to the Divine Master for giving them the opportunity to study at His Lotus Feet. This is done in the form of songs and speeches of gratitude. This was held on Jan 27, 2025.

Students participated in the Science Exhibition conducted by SSSIHL during National Science Day.

Students celebrated Sanskrit day by conducting various programmes like quiz, skit, songs, and speech in Sanskrit.

Unique Activities / Initiatives at School

Art and Skill Enrichment Program:

- With a view to bringing out and enriching the hidden art and skill in the students, the ASEP was introduced in the year 2013.
- It is a collaborative programme organised with the help of experts in various fields of Art from the Department of Music, SSSIHL Prasanthi Nilayam.
- The programme includes nearly 20 experts in various fields teaching our students.
- The programme includes training in the following areas of art and skill: Carnatic and Hindustani Vocal, Keyboard, Harmonium, Violin, Tabla, Dance, Yoga, Gymnastics, etc.
- Even though this is a program characterised by voluntary participation, an astonishing number of around 200 students across all the classes have enrolled and are currently undergoing the training and deriving the benefits from this program.
- Classes are conducted twice a week with a duration of 90 minutes each.

Highlights of the result of the class X and XII Board examinations

- The school had an impressive average of 88.75% in the XII Board exams, with 109 of the 111 students clearing with distinction and 55 of them securing above 90%. The three first-rankers secured 97.6% (Aayush Paikaray, K Sai Rudreshvar, Purohit Punya Pulin) while the two who came second (Allu Dhanvitha) and third (Vemula Sai Mahisrith) were not far behind at 97.4% and 97% respectively.

- Of the 87 students who appeared for the X Board exams, 79 cleared with distinction and 34 secured marks above 90%. The school average was at an impressive 86.4%. The topper of the class secured 98.2% (Basavanuty Jayapriya).



Smt Eswaramma High School

Student Engagement & Creative Initiatives

- Students created heartfelt videos class-wise to celebrate Swami's Centenary and 99th Birthday.
- Students of Classes IV, VII, and IX excelled in the State Bal Vikas and Pre-Sevadal exams conducted by Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations; all participants received certificates.
- The school has implemented the 'Bagless Saturdays' concept, which is aligned with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. This initiative eliminates traditional classroom lessons on one Saturday a month to provide students with hands-on, practical, and joyful learning experiences.
- The students attended webinars as part of the CBSE budding authors programme, which aims to ignite the creative spark in students by encouraging them to explore the art of storytelling.
- Veer Gatha, instituted in 2021, is an initiative by the Indian government with the aim of disseminating the details of acts of bravery of the Gallantry Awardees and the life stories of these brave hearts among the students, so as to raise the spirit of patriotism and instil amongst them values of civic consciousness. The students actively contributed to this initiative by composing poems and essays on soldiers from Andhra Pradesh.
- The Department of Biosciences, SSSIHL, organised a special program to observe the International Microorganisms Day on Sep 16-17, 2024. The students of the school took part in the exhibition on the theme, 'Into the Microbial World'.

Teacher Development & Training

- Teachers attended a CBSE-NCERT online training (15-16 April 2024) to facilitate a smooth transition from old to new textbooks for Grades 3 & 6.
- The Department of English at SSSIHL, Anantapur Campus, hosted a Professional Development Programme for in-service teachers, teaching English for classes 1-7.
- Primary teachers participated in an Abacus workshop; Abacus training was also integrated into the student timetable.
- Teachers enrolled in the SWAYAM webinar on Education for Sustainable Development earn certification from the Ministry of Education.
- An orientation program on 'PRASHAST' led by Dr Bharti Kaushik (NCERT-CIET) was attended by the teachers on Jul 17. PRASHAST is a Disability Screening Checklist for Schools that will help regular teachers identify children with special needs at preliminary levels and refer them for further assessment.
- Teachers of Classes 5, 6, and 8 joined the New Bridge Programme webinar aligned with NEP 2020 and NCF-SE 2023.

Infrastructure & Technology

- A lift for the school was formally inaugurated. The welcome addition enhances accessibility for elderly teachers, specially-abled and injured students.
- Three Smart Boards were installed, and SENSES Board Electronics provided training to optimise their use.

Spiritual & Cultural Enrichment

- Monthly staff bhajans were conducted as part of Bhagawan's centenary celebrations.
- Students had the opportunity to offer birthday greetings to Swami through the Sri Sathya Sai Media Centre in creative formats.
- As part of the Prema Tharu initiative, every child planted a sapling on their birthday, nurturing environmental awareness.

Academic Achievements

- With Bhagawan's blessings, out of 42 students who appeared for the 12th Standard CBSE board examination, all 42 students have passed, with 41 students securing First Class. The school's average marks for the 12th Standard stand at 74.7%. The 1st Rank holders (Sana Siddiq N and CH Chakrika) topped with a score of 93.4%.
- Out of 53 students who appeared for the 10th Standard CBSE board examination, all 53 students have passed, with 51 students securing First Class. The school average marks for the 10th Standard stand at 77.4%. The 1st Rank holder (Vijeta Srikumar) topped with a score of 94.8%.

Sri Sathya Sai Gurukulam English Medium School, Rajamahendravaram

This day-scholars school for both boys and girls, established on Jun 23, 1981, is being run under the blessings and guidance of Bhagawan, through the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust, Prasanthi Nilayam. Having classes from 1 to 10, the present strength is 1304. The school is affiliated with the Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi. In the CBSE 2025 board exams, all X class students passed in first class, and 90% of the students secured distinction.

The Gurukulam campus is situated in the historic city of Rajamahendravaram, located on the banks of the serene and sacred river Godavari. It is a serene educational sanctuary nestled in 24 acres of lush, verdant land. The campus is a haven of natural beauty, adorned with an abundance of greenery that creates a tranquil and refreshing environment for students. This idyllic setting fosters a peaceful atmosphere conducive to learning, reflection and personal growth. The major buildings include two school buildings, a Prayer Hall, a Dining Hall, an Auditorium, a Library and Science Laboratories.

Master BV Sai Charan, a student from the school, won the 2nd Prize in the State Level Drawing and Painting Competition conducted by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), NTPC, from over 6,000 participants. He received a ₹ 30,000 cash award and represented the state at the National Level Competition held at Noida, New Delhi.

Our student Master KNV Dhanveer was rewarded with a ₹ 10,000 cash prize in the Peace Poster Contest – a drawing competition conducted by the Lions' Club of India and selected for multiple.





Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning

A visible manifestation of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's vision of education for human transformation, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning (SSSIHL) was founded to inculcate ethical and moral values in students along with Secular education.

SSSIHL is one of the few institutions in the world offering values-based education to students at the University level. Ethics and morals form the undercurrent of every subject taught at the Deemed-to-be-University, providing a holistic framework of interpersonal development for its students, combined with academic excellence. SSSIHL follows a merit-based open admissions policy for all, irrespective of income, religion, or region, and provides quality education free for all students.

The Deemed-to-be-university hosts students from across the country at its four campuses in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka, India, and provides free education to all programmes of study. The programmes offered include undergraduate, postgraduate, professional, and research. It has a merit-based open admissions policy for all, irrespective of income, religion, or social status.

SSSIHL also provides a strong research environment, with exceptional academic practices, that have resulted in the growth of national and international collaborations. The Central Research Instruments Facility (CRIF), based at the Prasanthi Nilayam Campus of the SSSIHL, is one of the few facilities in the country that houses advanced Characterisation / Analytical Tools to carry out Translational Research in various areas of Science and Technology. The Central Research Laboratory (CRL) at the Anantapur campus houses laboratories for Wet Chemistry, Material Synthesis, and Characterisation.

This transformation (of students, teachers, and staff) has been the guiding principle right from its inception, when SSSIHL integrated ethics and values as the undercurrent of every subject taught at the institute. Combined with academic and research excellence, the institute provides a holistic framework of interpersonal development for its students. Its residential character trains the student's mind, body, and spirit in an environment similar to the ancient Indian 'Gurukula' system of education, in the most modern context.

Key Areas of Research:

Centre for Excellence in Mathematical Biology

- Ecological & Infectious Disease Modelling
- Applications of AI/ML in Healthcare

Centre of Excellence for Actuarial Data Science

- Agricultural Revenue Protection for Indian Farmers
- Livestock Risk Management for Cattle
- Impact of Climate Change on Insurance

Performing Arts

- Exploring the Therapeutic Value of Music

Education

- Value-Oriented Pedagogical Strategies in Science and Mathematics Education
- ICT-Enabled Teaching, Learning, and Assessment
- Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) and the SDGs
- Teacher Education and Professional Development

Humanities and Social Sciences (Economics)

- Macroeconometric Modelling
- Impact Analysis
- Financial Analytics

Food and Nutritional Sciences

- Novel Functional Food Approaches for Disease Mitigation
- Sustainable and Eco-friendly Food Systems
- Food Safety and Quality

Mathematics and Computer Science

- Core AI
- AI & Healthcare
- Data, Systems & Computation
- Applied Mathematics
- Pure Mathematics

Physics

- Materials for Sustainable Technologies in Energy, Environment and Health
- Photonic Technologies for Health Care
- Nuclear Physics and Spectroscopy

Chemistry

- Next-Generation Drug Discovery: Natural Products and Synthetic Molecules as Sustainable Therapeutics
- Computational Strategies for Advanced Functional Materials: Across Energy, Environment and Healthcare
- Functional Materials for a Sustainable Future: Diagnostic Sensors for Energy, Environment and Bioactive Devices

Bioscience

- Health
- Environment
- Bioactive Compounds

Languages & Literature (English)

- Environmental Studies
- Children's Literature
- Trauma and Memory Studies
- Culture Studies
- North-Eastern Studies
- English Language Teaching and Linguistics

Management & Commerce

- Sustainability and Corporate Social Responsibility
- OB and HR
- Leadership Studies
- Finance and Business

Collaborations and MoUs

In 2024–25, academic, research, and industry engagements were further strengthened through over 20 new collaborations and MoUs, complementing existing and ongoing academic (64) and industry (24) partnerships.

A transformational MoU with the Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisation (India) was signed to advance education, socio-economic research, healthcare, rural microfinance, leadership programs, internships, and entrepreneurship training for holistic societal impact.

An MoU with CSIR–Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), Mysuru, was signed to drive innovation in food products, sustainable packaging, and student internships.

These collaborations reaffirm the Institute's commitment to values-based education, translational research, and social transformation.





Highlights of Research at SSSIHL 2024-25

SSSIHL continues to pursue needs-based research that will help alleviate problems affecting the poorer sections of society. Key projects include:

- Understanding the Mechanisms Involved in the Emergence of Heteroresistance among Enterobacteriaceae (Biosciences)
- IKSHANA: Low-cost, Mobile-Plasmonic Diagnostic Device for Integrated Evaluation of Diabetic Retinopathy, Glaucoma, and Retinal Health (Chemistry)
- Fund for Improvement of S&T Infrastructure in Universities and Higher Educational Institutions (FIST) (Chemistry)
- Formulation and Evaluation of Ready-to-use Supplementary Foods (RUSFs) in the Management of Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) using Indigenous Food Crops and Novel Approaches (Food & Nutritional Sciences)
- Value-added RTS Non-carbonated and Carbonated Ayurvedic Tomato Beverage (Food & Nutritional Sciences)
- Time-Optimal Control Problems and Bifurcation Analysis of Coupled Non-Linear Dynamical Systems with Application to Pest Eradication (Centre of Excellence in Mathematical Biology)
- A Commutative Algebraic Approach to Generating Functions (Mathematics & Computer Science)
- DeepDroughtUAV: Deep Learning-Based Estimation of Drought Area in the Anantapur Cluster Using UAV Surveillance (Mathematics & Computer Science)
- Neutron Induced Reaction Cross-Section Measurements on Structural Materials Using Direct and Surrogate Methods (Physics)
- Development of Multiplexed Fibre Laser-Based Dual Frequency Combs for Sensing and Spectroscopic Applications (Physics)
- State-of-the-art, Low Cost, Dental Implant System (Physics)
- Design and Implement a Proof of Concept to Demonstrate Voice Authentication in Cars Based on an ML Approach (Physics)
- Python-Based GUI Analytical Tool for Data Collection, Analysis, Image Processing and Data Plotting for Post-Silicon Validation and Test (Physics)
- Application of Ai/ML to Optical Networks and Optical Algorithm Design and Testing of ONEP Tool (Physics)



Academic Events

Faculty Development Programmes (FDP)

A two-week FDP on Foundations and Applications of Quantum Computing was conducted from Mar 18 to Apr 03, 2025, for faculty members, post-doctoral researchers, PhD students, and industry professionals from related fields. The curriculum is aligned with the AICTE's QT01 and QT05 model curricula for the Minor Degree in Quantum Technologies for undergraduate courses, released in Dec 2024.

An FDP on Building a Future-Ready Academia—Developing Transformative Leaders (Feb 7- 24, 2025) was conducted by the Department of Management and Commerce for internal and external participants. Designed for educators, academic leaders, and researchers, the programme featured expert-led sessions, interactive workshops, and discussions focusing on leadership development, innovative and inclusive practices, emerging technologies, industry-academia synergy, NEP and ESG alignment, and holistic personal and professional growth.

Dr L. Goverthanan and Dr S Subramanian from the Department of Management & Commerce (DMC) organised an FDP titled Four-in-One Analytics Stack of Power BI, Tableau, Excel, and Shiny (R), Nov 1-20, 2024. Participants included faculty from 13 universities, 6 business schools, and IIT Ropar. Both also served as resource persons for the sessions.

The Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, SSSIHL, conducted a hybrid FDP on 'The Empirics of Causality' from Oct 26-30, 2024. Resource persons Dr Olivier Dagnelie (SSSIHL), Prof. Vincenzo Verardi (UCLouvain, Belgium), Dr Anand Shrivastava (Azim Premji University), and Prof. Jean-François Maystadt (UCLouvain & Lancaster University) trained participants in econometric techniques—DiD, IV, and RDD—using R and Stata, with real-world applications in health, social, and behavioural sciences, supported by comprehensive teaching materials.

The Centre for Excellence in Mathematical Biology (CEMB) organised an eight-day online FDP on Dynamical Systems & Optimal Control Theory, AI/ML and Bioinformatics with Applications to Healthcare from 8-15 July 2024. This unique interdisciplinary FDP seamlessly blended Mathematics, Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning (AI/ML), and Bioinformatics, with a primary focus on their applications in healthcare and was designed to provide a comprehensive understanding of these fields through both theoretical discussions and hands-on sessions.



Workshops

The Department of Food & Nutritional Sciences organised the National Workshop on Sustainable Food Systems 2.0 (21–22 March 2025) on Design Thinking and Innovation in Sustainable Food Materials for Health Promotion and Safety. Speakers included Dr P Khandelwal, Edupreneur and Founder of Fly High, Ms Shyla Ravi, Senior Technical Manager, FSSAI, National Agro Foundation, R&D Centre, Chennai, Mr Srinivas P, Founder & CEO of Musa Fibril, Mr Srinivasulu K, Senior Technical Officer, CSIR-CFTRI, Hyderabad, Ms Ranjani Raman, Dietitian & Founder of Nutrition Tattva, who shared insights on sustainable product development, food material transformation, transparent labelling, ingredient sourcing, and product integrity. The department, in collaboration with the Institute of Nutrigenomics, PSG College of Arts and Science, and BUGSPEAKS, also hosted the International Workshop on Recent Research Innovations in Gut Microbiome and Personalised Nutrition on January 25, 2025. The online event featured global experts sharing cutting-edge research and practical insights, fostering interdisciplinary dialogue and enriching participants' understanding of microbiome science and personalised nutrition for clinical and research applications.

The Department of Management & Commerce, Anantapur Campus, organised an In-person workshop on Future of Marketing: Trends, Technology & Transformation on March 18, 2025. Eminent speakers included Ms Amudha Ranganathan – Guest of Honour, Executive Director, CavinKare Group & Director, E-Commerce, CavinKare; Ms Shruthi Bopaiiah – EVP & Head, Axis Bank; Mr Ganta Dilip Kumar – Circle Chief Executive Officer, Indus Towers Limited; Mr Sai Venkatraman – Vice President of Sales, CavinKare; Ms Maheima Kapur – Independent Consultant, Digital Transformation; Ms Kasturi Cotha – Hon. Secretary, NHRD Bangalore Chapter. Sessions offered practical insights on e-commerce, branding, adaptability, and innovation, inspiring students to embrace technology while building authentic customer relationships.

The Department of Biosciences organised a 4-day national conference on Transmission Electron Microscopy: Theory and Practical Training for Biological Applications (Jan 27–30, 2025). The workshop aimed to provide participants with a comprehensive understanding of TEM and cryo-electron microscopy (cryo-EM), combining theoretical sessions with hands-on training.

On Sep 27, 2024, the National Workshop on Achieving Peak Performance: Evidence-Based Strategies in Sports Nutrition & Fitness featured expert talks by Dr Geetanjali Bhide (Sports & Fitness Nutritionist), Dr Abhirami Sivaprasad (High Performance Analyst, SAI), Ms Aswiny Mohandas (Performance Analyst, SAI), and Ms Stuti Pahuja (Sports Nutrition Specialist, QNA Nutrition Clinics). Sessions covered athlete assessment, RED-S, gut health, and holistic wellness, alongside student poster presentations and displays on sports nutrition innovations.

The Department of Humanities and Social Sciences hosted a hybrid National Workshop on the Indian Financial System: Prospects and Challenges on Aug 24, 2024. Mr Venkat Bhargava Sreedhara (Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank), Mr Sanjay Sahni (Associate Professor, SSSIHL), Mr Sundar Murthi (Chief General Manager-in-Charge, DEIO, RBI), and Mr SK Rajashekhar (Senior Portfolio Manager, RBI) shared insights on shifts, complexities, and the evolving landscape of the Indian financial system, inspiring reflections on policy implications and India's financial future.



Talks & Seminars

On Mar 22, 2025, Sri NLS Murthy, alumnus and Country Leader at Greenway Health India, delivered a seminar on Technology Readiness Levels (TRL) at SSSIHL Brindavan Campus. He explained the 9-level NASA framework, its role in innovation planning, risk management, and regulatory compliance, with examples like AI cancer detection and wearable health tech, highlighting TRL's value in guiding validated startup incubation.

The IFoA Industry–Academia Conclave (Mar 21, 2025), hosted by the Centre for Actuarial Data Science (CADS), SSSIHL and sponsored by the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries, UK, brought together 100+ students from six institutions and professionals from eleven actuarial organisations. Highlights included a profession roundtable, cyber risk panel, and student showcase, fostering academia–industry collaboration in actuarial science.

The Department of Management and Commerce, Brindavan Campus, hosted a CEO Meet on Feb 7, 2025, for 1st Year MBA students. Mr Kinshuk Kale, Founder & CEO, Shorter Loop, and Ms Sudipta Paul Choudhury, Chief Marketing & Growth Officer, shared insights on entrepreneurship, agility, GTM strategy, customer-centric growth, and scaling operations. The interactive session covered start-up funding, market entry, leadership, and team building, emphasising resilience, adaptability, and strategic pivoting for business success.

The Centre for Excellence in Mathematical Biology organised a series of online talks titled Popular Science Talk Series 2024 in Mathematical Biology from June 2024 to January 2025. These sessions, conducted each month, covered key topics such as Mathematical Ecology, Epidemiology, AI/ML in Healthcare, and Bioinformatics. This initiative aimed to enhance national capacity in Infectious Disease Modelling and Mathematical Biology, fostering mathematical innovation for societal benefits, especially in public health.

The Department of Management and Commerce, Brindavan Campus, in collaboration with SSSIHL's Innovation Council, hosted a panel discussion on The Critical Cog of Progress: Manufacturing, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship in India on Dec 14, 2024. Industry leaders Mr PS Rao (Rane Group), Mr L. Krishnan (Taegutec India), Mr Yathiraj Kasal (Wipro 3D), and Mr Sachin K Jayadevaiah (Aspire Business Solutions) shared insights on manufacturing's economic role, advanced technologies, innovation, and entrepreneurial opportunities, inspiring students to contribute to India's growth.

The Department of Chemistry hosted the International Symposium on Chemistry for a Sustainable Future: Bridging Science and Society (Dec 13–14, 2024), featuring experts from academia and industry. Talks by eminent scientists explored green synthesis, sustainability frameworks, plastic waste valorisation, environmental chemistry, industrial strategies, solar energy, and AI in research.

The Department of Languages and Literature – English, Anantapur Campus, in collaboration with the Institution's Innovation Council, organised the second event in the Innovation and Entrepreneurship in English Studies orientation series. The resource person, Mr Venkatraman Krishnamurthy, British Council Ambassador, highlighted the importance of English in education, employability, and entrepreneurship. The session detailed the Aptis test structure and preparation strategies, aiming to boost students' English proficiency for academic, professional, and personal growth.

On September 20, 2024, the Department of Management and Commerce hosted a seminar on Women in Leadership: Breaking the Glass Ceiling – Indian Style at the Anantapur Campus. Distinguished women leaders from diverse sectors shared insights on overcoming challenges and redefining leadership in India. Eminent speakers included Ms Subhasri Sriram, Managing Director and CEO at Shriram Capital Pvt. Ltd., Chennai; Ms Rajashree Natarajan, Champion for the FLN program under Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini and former CEO of Cognizant Foundation; Ms Rajeshwari Natarajan, Managing Director at Deloitte India; Ms Phani Keerthi Y, Global Mobilization Manager at Accenture; Ms Sai Geetha, Senior Director of Engineering specialising in Enterprise Data & Analytics; Ms Tarini Iyengar, Enterprise Architect with Unisys, Bengaluru; and Ms Shraddha S. Jaitly, a Chartered Accountant with BPCL's Kochi Refinery.

The Department of Management and Commerce, Brindavan Campus, hosted C–Suite Insights on Enterprise Risk Management on August 9, 2024, featuring CA. Sathya Pramod, Sri Sunil Shenoy, CA. Hema Nevetia, CA. Srivathsa N D, CA. V Srinivasa Raghavan, and CA. Sandhya Sriram. The program covered ERM fundamentals, expert perspectives, panel discussions, and business case analyses by student teams from Brindavan and Anantapur campuses, offering valuable insights into risk management strategies and practices.

Lit-Treat Edition V – National Conference on Language, Literature and Beyond: Exploring New Frontiers in English Studies, March 14–15, 2025

The Department of Languages and Literature – English, conducted this two-day national conference in collaboration with Literary Voice– A Journal of English Studies, indexed with Web of Science. The conference brought together eminent scholars, researchers, and students to engage in thought-provoking discussions on contemporary research in Literary and Language Studies.

IIC Outreach program and Campus extension activity – Rural Women Empowerment, February 5, 2025

SSSIHL's IIC Outreach Program 'Rural Women: Building Business Dreams' at RUDSETI, Anantapur, mentored 25 aspiring women entrepreneurs, guiding them on business ideation, financial planning, marketing strategies, and accessing microloans. Coordinated by Dr (Mrs) N Jayaprada, with the support of MBA and B.Ed. students, the program resulted in fostering confidence, entrepreneurial skills, and mutual learning for women's empowerment and community upliftment.

National Startup Day Celebrations, January 15, 2025

On Jan 15, 2025, SSSIHL's Institution's Innovation Council celebrated National Startup Day at Prasanthi Nilayam Campus, bringing together entrepreneurs, researchers, and students. Talks stressed honesty, adaptability, and innovation, while research showcased advances in COVID detection, cancer diagnostics, energy storage, and sustainability. A panel discussed funding and scaling, and the Vice-Chancellor emphasised health, education, and innovation, reaffirming SSSIHL's commitment to value-driven entrepreneurship.

National Mathematics Day Celebrations: Legacy of Ramanujan, December 22, 2024

The day was observed with speeches by Prof. Pallav Kumar Baruah and Dr N Uday Kiran, and plenary talks by Prof. R Thangadurai and Prof. Vijay Patankar on magic squares, elliptic curves, modular forms, and sums of squares. Research presentations and student explorations in physics, computer science, and cryptography enriched the event.

Sustainability Week celebrations, December 14 & 16, 2024

The Department of Food and Nutritional Sciences observed the occasion with talks, discussions, and activities on sustainable living. Faculty and students shared insights on spiritual and scientific approaches to sustainability, zero hunger, and food waste management. IIC-DFNS students led a group discussion on 'Sustainable Practices for a Better Tomorrow,' while activities like the Sustainability Check, Green Corridor, and Scribble Sustainably fostered awareness engagingly.

The VLSI Roadshow – A National Initiative Toward Semiconductor Design Capacity Building, December 13, 2024

SSSIHL, in collaboration with VLSI System Design (VSD) and DIR-V teams from IIT Madras, hosted this roadshow at the Prasanthi Nilayam Campus. Part of the National Semiconductor Mission, the event trained students, faculty, and researchers in VLSI chip design, open-source EDA tools, and semiconductor workflows. Expert talks, hands-on demos, and career discussions aimed to strengthen India's self-reliant semiconductor ecosystem and build a skilled, future-ready workforce.

National Winter School for Women in AI/ML and Computational Biology, December 2–7, 2024

As part of the Centenary Celebrations, the Centre for Excellence in Mathematical Biology, in collaboration with the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science & Department of Biosciences, organised a six-day in-person Winter School. The National Winter School for Women was a pioneering initiative to empower women in the interdisciplinary fields of Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Computational Biology. With expert-led sessions and hands-on training, the program provided participants with a strong foundation in Mathematical Biology, Bioinformatics, Python programming, AI/ML, and Deep Learning.



Certificate Program on Infectious Disease Modelling, March–November 2024

The Centre for Excellence in Mathematical Biology (CEMB) conducted this nine-month online certificate program that featured nine modules, each led by experts from premier institutions such as NIT Warangal, IIT Indore, CURAJ, IITM Gwalior, IIT Roorkee, IISc Bangalore, IIT Kanpur, and SSSIHL. The Modules spanned foundational concepts, advanced modelling techniques, and data analysis using tools like Mathematica. The course emphasised ethical research practices and effective scientific communication, ensuring responsible and impactful applications of disease modelling.

International Microorganisms Day 2024 and Dr K Gopinath Memorial Lecture, September 16–17, 2024

The Department of Biosciences, in collaboration with the Institution's Innovation Council, celebrated International Microorganisms Day at Prasanthi Nilayam. The event featured a hands-on workshop on microbial handling, biosafety, and microbial art. Day 2 included the Dr K. Gopinatha Rao Memorial Lecture by Prof. V. Nagaraja (IISc) on drug-resistant tuberculosis, followed by a talk on the human microbiome by Prof. D Narasimha Rao (IISc). An exhibition titled 'Into the Microbial World' showcased live cultures, 3D models, and student projects.

National Nutrition Week 2024, September 11, 2024

On September 11, 2024, the Department of Food & Nutritional Sciences celebrated National Nutrition Week on the theme Nutritious Diet for Everyone. Dr Subba Rao Gavaravarapu (Scientist 'F' & Head, NICHE, NIN) delivered a talk on the Dietary Guidelines for Indians 2024. The event featured the launch of the Nutrition Atlas, a panel discussion with faculty and ICDS members, and engaging club activities, promoting awareness of balanced diets and informed food choices.

National Sports Day Celebrations, August 23, 2024

On Aug 23, 2024, the Sports & Fitness Nutrition Club, Department of Food & Nutritional Sciences, Anantapur Campus, hosted 'Optimising Athletic Performance through Nutrition & AI'. Dr Geetanjali Bhide (Sports & Fitness Nutritionist, Army Rowing Node, Pune) spoke on nutrition for enhancing sports fitness, while Ms Stuti Pahuja (Sports Nutrition Specialist, QNA Nutrition Clinics, Bangalore) discussed the role of AI in personalising nutrition plans for athletes.

Anti-Ragging Programme, August 17, 2024

On Aug 17, 2024, in accordance with the mandate of the UGC National Anti-Ragging Monitoring Agency and the Centre for Youth (C4Y), students of the Department of Education at SSSIHL presented a mime titled SAVE – Society Against Violence in Education, during Anti-Ragging Week (August 12–18). The act urged students to take a stand, ending with the slogan: 'Break the Silence, End the Violence.'



Academic Events 2024-25



Annual Special Events

Annual Sports & Cultural Meet, January 11–15, 2025

The Sri Sathya Sai Educational Institutions celebrated the Annual Sports & Cultural Meet 2025 from 11–15 January at Prasanthi Nilayam, in commemoration of the Birth Centenary of Bhagawan, who is also the Founder Chancellor of the Deemed-to-be University.

The festivities commenced on Jan 11 at the Sri Sathya Sai Hill View Stadium, with a grand ceremonial procession, Vedam chanting, a 100'x15' centenary banner unveiling, and a majestic March Past of 46 contingents. Over 3,500 students from schools, the College of Nursing & Allied Health Sciences, and all four SSSIHL campuses presented breathtaking offerings—ranging from gymnastics, motorbike stunts, cultural pageantry, and thematic presentations—culminating in a spectacular chariot procession, centenary theme song, and Mangala Aarti.

From 13 to 15 January, students offered soulful cultural presentations at Prasanthi Nilayam: Melodic HIStory by Anantapur Campus; Avatara Vaibhavam by the men's campuses; and Paramamrita – Supreme Nectar of Love, a grand symphony by over 100 student performers.

The Prize Distribution Ceremony was held on Jan 14 (Makara Sankranti) at Sai Kulwant Hall, with the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Managing Trustee, and senior leaders honouring over 1,533 winners across athletics, games, cultural and fine arts. In all, 137 Gold, 97 Silver, and 94 Bronze medals, along with 32 Championship trophies and the prestigious Sri Sathya Sai All-Rounder Gold Medals, were awarded.

The celebrations embodied Bhagawan's vision of integral education—harmoniously blending academic excellence, cultural refinement, and spiritual growth.





43rd Annual Convocation, 22 November 2024

SSSIHL held its 43rd Annual Convocation on November 22, 2024, in the Divine Presence at the Poornachandra Auditorium, Prasanthi Nilayam. Hon'ble Sethuraman Panchanathan, Director of the U.S. National Science Foundation, was the Chief Guest.

In his welcome address, Prof. B Raghavendra Prasad, Vice-Chancellor, highlighted the Institute's progress, including five new NEP-aligned programmes in Mathematical Sciences, Artificial Intelligence, and Biosciences, pioneering research in healthcare diagnostics, sustainable food innovations, cybersecurity, CSR, performing arts, and the establishment of the Sri Sathya Sai Centre for Sustainable Development, the Centre for Sri Sathya Sai Studies, and the alumni association Sri Sathya Sai Students.

The Hon'ble Chancellor, Mr K Chakravarthi, IAS (Retd.), admitted 463 candidates to their degrees. The Hon'ble Chancellor and the Chief Guest awarded 22 Gold Medals for academic excellence and conferred PhD degrees on 14 research scholars.

Delivering the Convocation Address, Dr Panchanathan described SSSIHL alumni as 'Stellar minds, Selected to Serve and Impact Humanity through Love.' Inspired by Bhagawan's teaching that 'The End of Education is Character,' he presented ten guiding 'Cs' for purposeful living: Convocation, Curiosity, Courage/Confidence, Convergence, Collaboration, Change, Communication, Commitment, Conduit, and Character. He urged graduates to embody these principles to lead lives rooted in love, service, and societal transformation.

The ceremony concluded with the Divine Benediction of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba, who reminded students that true education cultivates character, wisdom, and the spirit of service to humanity.

As part of the 43rd Annual Convocation, a drama entitled 'Tat Twam Asi', which portrayed the eternal conflict between power and principle, was staged by the students. Through Sathya's journey of conscience, students highlighted integrity as true strength. The moving performance, crafted with love, inspired reflection on values and character.



Summer Course in Indian Culture & Spirituality 2024–25

The Summer Course in Indian Culture & Spirituality, a signature orientation programme at SSSIHL, serves as a gateway for students and teachers to engage with Bharat's timeless spiritual heritage and Bhagawan Baba's educational philosophy. Conducted at the beginning of the academic year across campuses, the 2024–25 edition combined erudite talks, panel discussions, interactive activities, and cultural performances.

At the Anantapur Campus (Jul 25–27, 2024), the Course explored Bharatiya Saints and Sages, the Essence of the Vedas and Yogashastras, and Navavidha Bhakti. Distinguished speakers from Chinmaya Mission, Indic Studies, Yoga therapy, and SSSIHL shared deep insights. Highlights included panel discussions, quizzes, Chinna Katha analysis, and a cultural presentation on Navavidha Bhakti.

The Brindavan Campus (Jul 18–20, 2024) focused on Indian Culture and Management. The sessions were connected to epics, values, and leadership, and had engaging activities such as study circles, a drama on Tulsidas, alumni panel discussions, and cultural programmes.

At Prasanthi Nilayam & Nandigiri (Jul 19–20, 2024), the theme was 'Head of Shankara, Heart of Buddha, Hands of Janaka'. There were inspired talks by industry leaders and alumni, alongside quizzes, Parayanam, and cultural skits creatively integrating wisdom, compassion, and selfless action.





Awards & Recognitions

FACULTY

- Associate Professor from the Dept. of Biosciences, Dr BE Pradeep's AMRx technology, transferred to SCIINV Biosciences Pvt. Ltd., received the 'HYSEA10X Startup Award 2025' from the Hyderabad Software Enterprises Association (HYSEA) (Feb 11, 2025), the 'BW – Businessworld Health Care Excellence Award 2025' from Business World in New Delhi (Feb 8, 2025) and was also recognised by Microsoft as part of 'AI First Movers – From Promise to Proof' and featured in the Microsoft Coffee Table Book 2025, (Jan 21, 2025). It also received 'ET – Healthcare Solution of the Year 2024' from Economic Times in New Delhi (Sep 27, 2024)
- Sri Rajeev Rajan (Asst. Professor, Dept. of Management & Commerce) won the 'Best Paper Award' for his paper 'Effect of ESG Performance on Portfolio Performance – Evidence from Portfolios of NIFTY-indexed stocks in India', at the National Conference on Embracing Change & transformation: Breakthrough Innovation & Creativity in Business and Management, organised by Sanskriti School of Business, Puttaparthi, (Dec 14, 2024).

RESEARCH SCHOLARS

- Ms Sushmita Chettri visited Uppsala University, Sweden and conducted research work on Biomaterials at the Department of Materials Science and Engineering: Applied Materials Science, as part of the Network Grant between SSSIHL and Uppsala University (February–June 2025).
- Mr Maturi Eswar Prem Sai Guptha won the 'Best Paper Award' at the Two-day ACTCON Conference 2025, organised by the Department of Actuarial Science of Bishop Heber College at Tiruchirapalli, for his presentation on 'Addressing Climate Risks in the Insurance Industry: The Role of Actuaries and the Actuaries Climate Index' (Feb 12–13, 2025). At the same conference, Mr Sai Prabhakar B won the 'Best Paper Award' for his presentation on 'Crop Price Prediction Using Actuarial Data Science and Machine Learning Techniques'.
- Ms Priyanka Verma, Mr Krisanta Rai, Ms Sparsh Sumnirom Subba, and Ms Mounika Pandey, under the guidance of Dr V Prathyusha, participated in the prestigious SAKURA Science Exchange Program organised by the Government of Japan and hosted by the Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (JAIST), Nomi, Ishikawa, Japan (Nov 28– Dec 8, 2024).
- Ms Sai Dharshini S, Ms Alisha Pradhan, Ms Sparsh Sumnirom Subba, and Ms Beesetti Lohita, under the mentorship of Dr M Meera, won the First Prize (INR 100,000) in the AMRUT (AICTE Millet Recipe Unleashing Talent) Competition Finals held in New Delhi, for their entry 'Multi-Millet Muesli' in the Breakfast & Starters category >70% millet content on (Oct 25, 2024).
- Ms Mounika Pandey and Prof N Srividya won the 1st Prize in the 'SPARK – Food Business Idea Competition' for their innovative idea presented at the National Workshop on Food Business Initiative 2.0, organised by M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women, Chennai (Feb 8, 2025).
- Mr SVL Sai Kushal Kumar was awarded the 'Best Scientific Poster' for his poster presentation on 'Detection of Stable Minocycline Heteroresistance in Escherichia coli: Implications for Treatment Failure' in G-SPARC, Shilpakala Vedika, Hyderabad, India (Oct 3–5, 2024).
- Ms Sushma Tripathi received the 'Best Oral Presentation Award' at the International Conference on Membrane Processes for a Green Environment: Current Status, Challenges, and Future Prospects (ICMPGE–2024), held at Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh, India (Oct 16–18, 2024).

STUDENTS

- Mr Sai Tarun, MBA student, and Dr Sai Vinod MS, Asst. Professor, Department of Management and Commerce, received the 'Best Paper Award' for their paper titled 'A Systematic Literature Review of Greenwashing and Ethical Considerations in India' at the International Conference on Innovative Horizons Uniting Management, Accounting, Sustainability and Technology (IHUMAST), hosted by the Department of Management, St. Joseph's University, Bengaluru (Mar 21–22, 2025).
- Ms Sanya Ahuja got the 'St. Aloysius Best Research Paper National Award 2024–25' for her paper written jointly with Dr Vijayalakshmi R, titled 'Changing Patterns of Gender Representation in Pakistani New Media: A Case Study of Sar–E–Rah and Kuch Ankahi' (Mar 11, 2025).
- Mr Prudhvi, Mr Akhil, Mr Vardan, Mr Vishnu, and Mr Kabiraj, B.Sc. Physics students, mentored by Dr Sai Muthukumar V, won the First Prize for developing and demonstrating HelioSync360, a dual-axis solar tracker prototype leveraging a new RISC-V-based VSD Squadron chip architecture, in the hardware track of the DIR-V Symposium Product Hackathon, organised by VSD, Bengaluru, at IIT–Madras Research Park (Mar 2, 2025).
- Ms Bhagavatula Vibhuti, Ms Netheti Vasantha, and Ms Emani Sri Lalitha from I M.Sc. won First prize for their presentation on 'Nature to Canvas – Crafting Sustainable Painting Paper with Dried Leaves' at the KSTA Conference on Eco–Tourism in Bangalore (Feb 19– 21, 2025).
- At the Two-day ACTCON Conference 2025 organised by the Department of Actuarial Science of Bishop Heber College at Tiruchirapalli (Feb 12 – 13, 2025), the following students won the 'Best Paper Award': Mr

Sairaj Patro from M.Sc. Data Science & Computing won for his presentation on ‘Revolutionising Reserving: Machine Learning for Accurate Loss Triangle Completion’, and Mr Sumukha Srinidhi for his presentation on ‘Improving Fraud Detection in Health Insurance Using Variational Auto Encoders and CTGANs’. The following won ‘Best Presenter Award’: Mr Anand Sai Gosikonda from I B.S Actuarial Data Science for the Poster Making Competition, and Mr Virat Nath from I B.S Actuarial Data Science for his poster presentation on ‘Gamification for the Financial World’.

- Ms Sake Archana, 1st Year B.S, was chosen as one of the top 6 Speakers and was honoured for her remarkable speech at the 14th Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad held at MIT-WPU, Pune (Feb 8–10, 2025).
- Students from SSSIHL, Mr Saish Hebbar, Mr Sai Nikhil Kalluri, Mr Pulkit Khare, Mr Nischal Thapa, Mr Gurucharan G, and Mr RSVD Sriram won both First and Second place in Samvaadha 1.0: Big Debate Competition organised by NHRD Bangalore Chapter at BNM Institute of Technology, Bengaluru (Jan 29, 2025).
- Ms Apoorva Gurung and Ms Gouri Nandana of I M.Sc. Biosciences, and Ms Krishtina Thapa Mangar, Ms Tara Dutta Thatoi, Ms Yerram Srinidhi, and Ms Thudumula Jayalakshmi of final-year B.Sc. Biosciences (team representing Andhra Pradesh State) emerged as Overall Champions at the National Botany Fest–2025, organised by the Valley of Flowers Society, SoUADTGA, and the Department of Botany, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, at Ekta Nagar, Gujarat (Jan 19–22, 2025).
- Mr Anand Sai Gosikonda, Mr K Sai Chetan, Mr AK Eshwar Sai from I B.S Actuarial Data Science have won the IFoA Innovation Challenge 2024 and received a cash prize of INR 50,000 organised by the Institute of Actuarial and Quantitative Studies at the IFoA India Conference 2024, Delhi by making an Insurance Model for Micro Businesses (Nov 29 – Dec 2, 2024).
- Mr Sai Kartheek Cherukuri, Mr Manan Luthra, Mr Pranavchandra Vivekananda, and Mr Arunachala Sivateja Mudigonda from the Centre for Actuarial Data Science won the 2024 CAS Student Central Summer Program Case Competition (June 10 – Aug 2, 2024).
- Mr Aryan, Mr Shirdeesh, Mr Deep Sai, Mr Akshay, and Mr Sai Raj, first-year M.Tech. (CS) Students were honoured at the National Education Summit organised by Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini (SSSVV) for developing three innovative web-based applications—Story Builder, Typing Tutor, and Drag and Drop Game for SSSVV—which were also showcased at the event (Jul 6 2024).



General Public Utility

Sri Sathya Sai Museums



Sri Sathya Sai Chaitanya Jyoti, Prasanthi Nilayam

This museum was built to commemorate the 75th Birthday (November 18, 2000) of Bhagawan. The building houses an exhibition on His Life and Mission, which would motivate, inspire and encourage devotees to follow His teachings and put them into practice. The location was selected keeping in view the ambience and majesty of the structure. Externally, it is a fusion of many architectural styles; internally, it asserts the Unity of Faith and the fact that God is One and He is Omnipresent.

Chaitanya Jyoti will be entering its Silver Jubilee year on November 18, 2025. This significant milestone marks its blessed journey, serving as a source of inspiration and spiritual enlightenment to countless visitors and devotees.

During this period, we renovated exterior building painting works, provided exterior lighting and installed dragons and fountains in the KOI Pool. Also, a few areas of the Museum were upgraded.

Visitors during 2024–25:

1,61,475

Since Inception:

57,92,948



Sri Sathya Sai Divyasmṛti, Brindavan

‘Sri Sathya Sai Divyasmṛti’ is a unique digital museum on the life, mission and message of Bhagawan.

It was unveiled on November 3, 2022 by the Chief Minister of Karnataka, Sri Basavaraj Bommai to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust, the public charitable Trust which spearheads the several mammoth social welfare initiatives of the Sri Sathya Sai mission.

The museum is situated within ‘Brindavan’, the ashram of Bhagawan Baba at Kadugodi, Bengaluru.

Visitors during 2024–25:

8,266

Since Inception:

30,731

Sri Sathya Sai Space Theatre

The Sri Sathya Sai Space Theatre was inaugurated in 1985 by Bhagawan. This Planetarium, located in the Vidyagiri Educational Institution campus, is the only one between Bengaluru and Hyderabad in this part of India. It offers daily shows in Hindi and English to visitors.

Of the visitors in the period under review 7,925 of the visitors were students from various schools. During this period, the Space Theatre upgraded the projection system to a 4K projector and also prepared and exhibited an in-house planetarium show in 4K, entitled “Is Seeing Believing?”, incorporating Bhagawan Baba’s teachings in English, Hindi and Telugu.

Visitors during 2024–25:

83,000

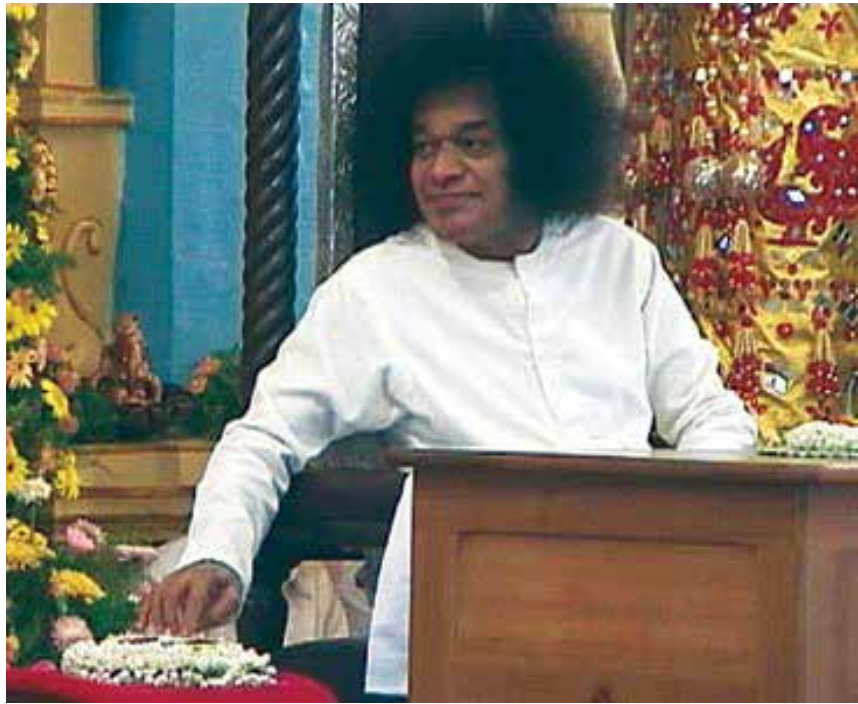
Total number of Screenings 2024–25:

617



Sri Sathya Sai Media Centre

The Sri Sathya Sai Media Centre (SSSMC) began its journey as Radio Sai Global Harmony, a satellite radio service in 2001 when Bhagawan launched it during His 76th birthday celebration. Marching steadily towards its silver jubilee, SSSMC has become an instrument in connecting millions of people across the globe to Prasanthi Nilayam and also taking the precious message of Bhagawan to devotees and seekers. SSSMC is at the forefront of leveraging the cutting-edge advances in mass communication, media restoration, production, and management in the service of Bhagawan. This aligns with His words of benediction during the inauguration of the studio facility in 2002: “When knowledge is used for the benefit of others, it becomes a skill, and it brings balance and insight.”



Launch of New YouTube Channel – Sri Sathya Sai Mandarin

In another significant step in reaching out to devotees of Bhagawan in their native languages, SSSMC launched the Sri Sathya Sai Mandarin YouTube channel on Apr 25, 2024. As Mandarin is one of the most spoken languages of the world, with one in six people worldwide using it to communicate, this is a very significant step in reaching out to the devotees and spiritual aspirants in Chinese-speaking countries, and will add momentum to disseminating Swami's message to a larger section of the world population as we march towards the centenary celebrations.

Mr Danesh Vatwani (Chair of Zone 5, SSSGC) and the dedicated team of volunteers led by Mr Yong KW, Mr Siva G, Ms Bhavana and the Taiwan SSE unit virtually attended the inauguration event, which took place in the Director's office.

Inauguration of Sri Sathya Sai Digital Studio, New Delhi

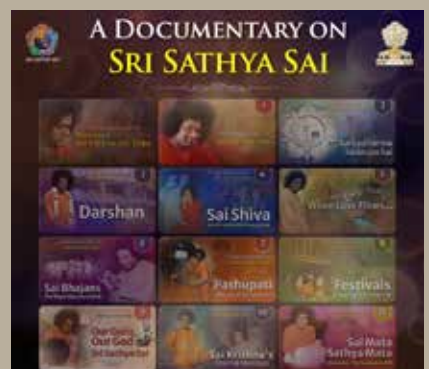
On Oct 14, 2024, a state-of-the-art studio facility was unveiled at the Sri Sathya Sai International Centre (SSSIC), New Delhi, by Mr RJ Rathnakar, the Managing Trustee, SSSCT, Justice V Ramasubramanian, Trustee, SSSCT, Mr Sundar Swaminathan, Director, SSSMC, alongside esteemed committee members of the SSSIC. The studio, which will also serve SSSMC as a satellite recording facility, is envisioned to spread Bhagawan's message far and wide, serving as a modern tool for spiritual outreach in the national capital.

100th Birthday Logo and Theme Song Reveal

As we observe the historic Centenary Celebrations of Bhagawan's advent, SSSMC has been in the forefront of the efforts to share the year-long celebrations with devotees across the globe through the live broadcasts, special programs and interviews. SSSMC was closely involved in the design and unveiling of the grand Centenary Celebrations Logo and the theme song that would resonate throughout the year-long festivities. On January 01, 2025, the dignitaries of the Trust unveiled the logo, which was presented before Swami not only as a physical model, but also as a holographic projection for the first time ever.

Documentary Series on Bhagawan's Life and Message

On Bhagawan's 99th Birthday, a special documentary series commemorating the Centenary Celebrations was launched. A new episode, each on one of the facets of Bhagawan's Avatar, is being released every month. Covering themes such as Swami's travels, love for animals, festivals in Prasanthi Nilayam, Sarva Dharma message and so on are presented through precious archival footage and comprehensive research of Sai literature. The documentaries are also being translated into Telugu, Hindi, Tamil and Mandarin and being released on the respective YouTube Channels.



App for Ati Rudra Maha Yajnam

The grand Ati Rudra Maha Yajnam was performed from Feb 14 to 25, 2025, as part of the centenary celebrations. Apart from covering the event extensively and sharing soundbites from participants, organisers, main Ritviks, Sevadal and so on, SSSMC enabled global participation in the event by creating a WebApp.

This webpage/app allowed devotees from across the globe to participate in the Yajnam virtually by registering themselves and offering their counts of Sri Rudram Chanting. The homepage featured the Prasanthi Mandir Livestream link, as well as a Namakam Audio Player with corresponding lyrics to assist with chanting when the live stream was unavailable. The users, after logging in, could register their chants as and when they complete one Sri Rudram chant. The devotees could see their personal chant, as well as the overall chants from across the globe.

This facilitated the overwhelming 'virtual' participation of over 13,000 devotees from more than 83 countries. In all, over 1,18,000 chants were recorded. Thus, while one Ati Rudra Maha Yajnam was performed in Sai Kulwant Hall, eight more were conducted globally through this virtual platform, bringing the total count to the auspicious number of nine—symbolising the highest state of divinity and spiritual fulfilment.

Ati Rudra Maha Yajnam
Prasanthi Nilayam
Feb 14-25, 2025

Starts in
00:19:24:04
DAYS HOURS MINUTES SECONDS

5
Rudram chant count worldwide

4
Registered Chanters worldwide

Participate virtually in this Sacred Event!
Chant Sri Rudram from wherever you are and offer it at the Divine Lotus Feet of Bhagawan. Submit your Sri Rudram Chantings here!

Starts in
00:19:21:00
HOURS MINUTES SECONDS

Launch of the Ati Rudra Maha Yajnam App

India Book of Records and Asia Book of Records

In recognition of the unparalleled spiritual feat performed virtually during the Ati Rudra Maha Yajnam, the India Book of Records officially acknowledged the initiative as a significant achievement. On Feb 26, 2025, during the sacred Mahashivaratri morning, Mr Narvijay Yadav, the esteemed adjudicator of the India Book of Records, presented the official award for 'Maximum People Chanting Sri Rudra Mantra!' to SSSMC. Mr Yadav, in fact, urged the Trust to apply to the Asia Book of Records as well for the same record.

On the sacred occasion of Ugadi, Mar 30, 2025, the Asia Book of Records awarded the recognition for the 'Maximum Number of People Chanting Sri Rudram Online' to SSSMC. This prestigious award was officially presented by Dr Pradeep Bhardwaj (Founder & CEO of Six Sigma Healthcare).

Launch of Sri Sathya Sai Sahitya

On the sacred occasion of Ugadi, on Mar 30, 2025, SSSMC humbly placed at the Divine Lotus Feet of Bhagawan a significant digital offering—Sri Sathya Sai Sahitya, a dedicated web portal unifying Bhagawan's Discourses, Vahinis, Padyams, and Letters all in one place. With over 1,900 transcripts of discourses, over 850 original audio recordings of discourses, 15 Vahinis, Letters, Padyams, and Chinna Kathas, this portal serves as an invaluable spiritual reservoir. For the first time ever, a comprehensive AI-powered search engine has been integrated, employing cutting-edge technology to explore Bhagawan's divine message like never before.

The discourses can be accessed chronologically, based on locations or occasions or as collections such as the various Summer Showers discourses. The audio of the original discourse, where available, is linked to the transcript, and a reading of the original Telugu is presented along with the English version of the Vahinis. This offering will be an invaluable repository for seekers, students of spirituality, Bal Vikas Gurus and Students, and all devotees of Bhagawan.

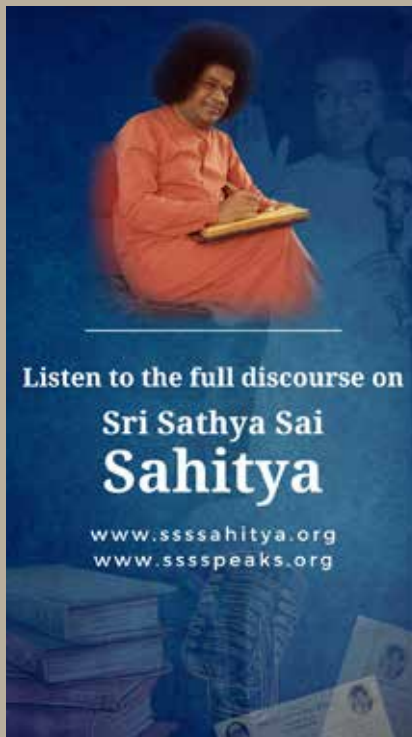
23rd Anniversary Celebrations

As part of the celebrations, the members and volunteers of the SSSMC presented programs on September 01, 2024, at the Sai Kulwant Hall. The morning's programs were dedicated by the volunteers of the various vernacular channels and the children's channel. Two dedicated volunteers, Mr Krishna Sastry during the morning session and Ms Bharti Dudeja in the evening, addressed the gathering, apart from Mr Sundar Swaminathan, Director SSSMC.

In the evening, the staff of SSSMC presented a program, 'We Will Follow You', a musical offering interspersed with recitation of poems written for the occasion.

Sri Sathya Sai Telugu Receives YouTube Silver Button

On the occasion of the 23rd Anniversary of SSSMC, the Sri Sathya Sai Telugu YouTube channel, which received the prestigious Silver Button Award for surpassing the milestone of 1,00,000 subscribers, placed this milestone at Bhagawan's lotus feet. The milestone was crossed earlier in 2024, and by the time the award was offered to Swami, the count had crossed 1,50,000, and by Mar 31, 2025, the subscriber count had crossed 2,50,000.



Analytics

All YouTube channels and social media platforms of SSSMC continued to show remarkable growth during the year under review. Two channels more than doubled their subscriber base during this period – Sri Sathya Sai Speaks, a channel dedicated to Swami’s discourses, saw a 130% increase in subscribers, while the Sri Sathya Sai Telugu Channel grew by an impressive 162%. All other channels and platforms also showed steady progress during the period, as can be seen in the statistics presented.

Brief Statistics of our Social Media Platforms:

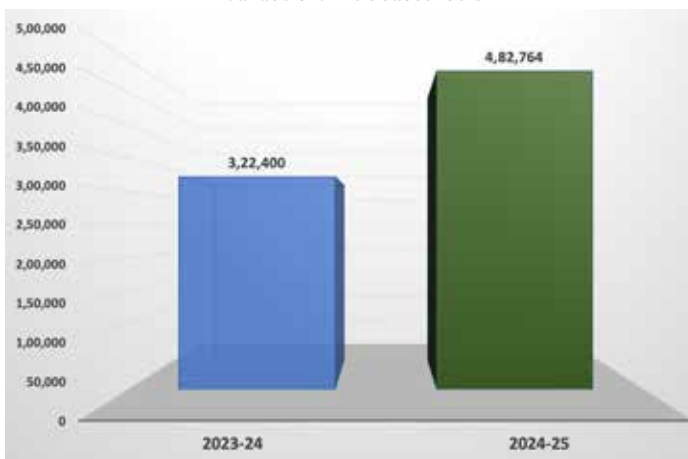
Social Media Followers/Subscribers Overview

Platform	Followers/ Subscribers
Facebook	41,70,075
YouTube	19,00,088
Instagram	2,76,603
WhatsApp Channel	18,321
X	15,700
Telegram Channel	8,155
LinkedIn	4,753
Arattai Channel	3,042
GRAND TOTAL	63,96,737

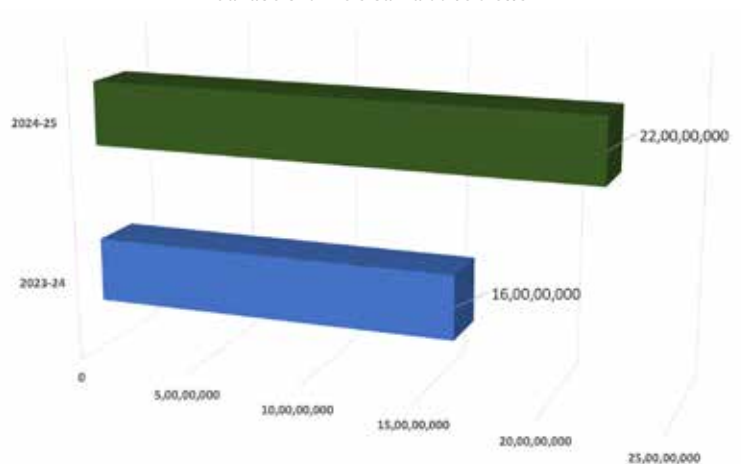


Comparative Overview

YouTube Channels Subscribers

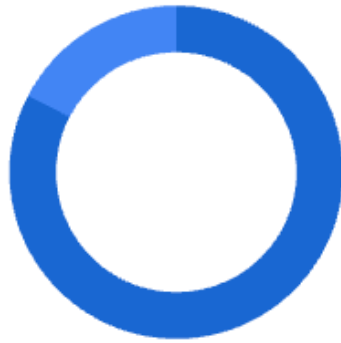


YouTube Channels Cumulative Views



Active users

60K



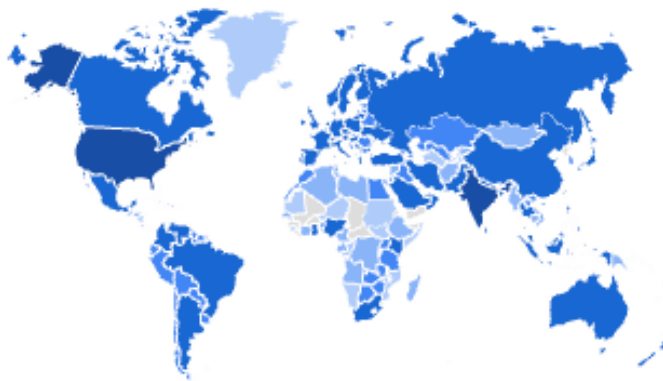
• ANDROID
82.6%

• IOS
17.4%



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Countrywise Active Users



COUNTRY	ACTIVE USERS
India	437K
United States	122K
South Africa	39K
United Kingdom	28K
Australia	28K
Singapore	22K
Canada	17K

Demograph...

Trends

Potential audience

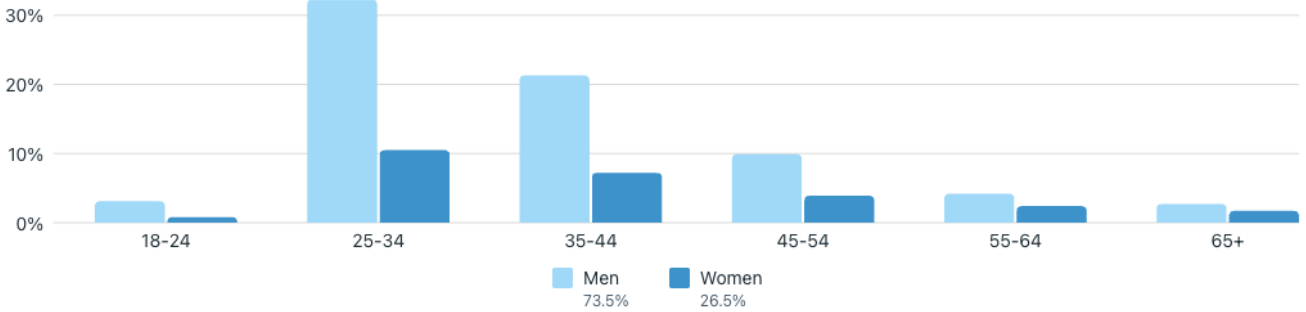
Followers

Lifetime

4,162,158

Age & gender

40%



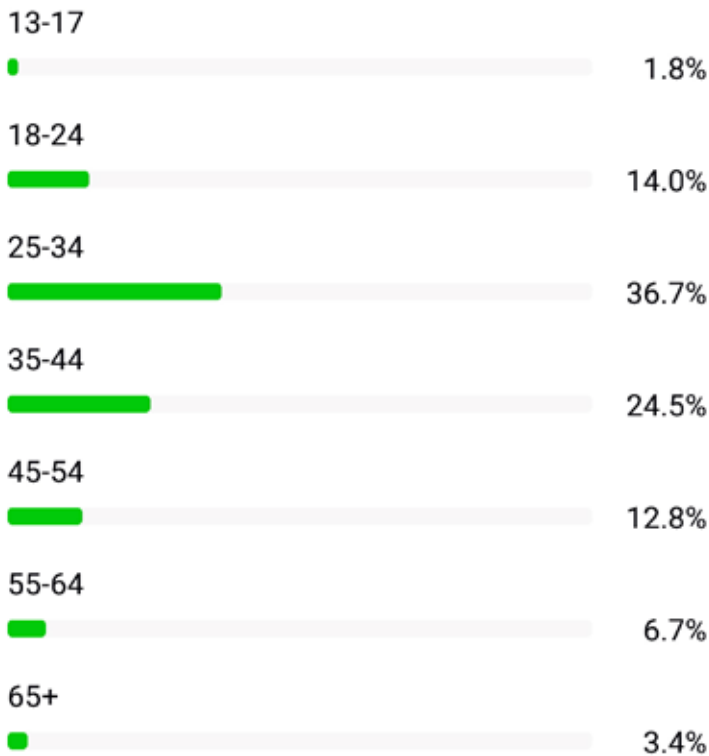
Age range

- All
- Men
- Women

63.3%
Men



36.7%
Women





Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini

Universal access to learning-teaching excellence, equal opportunity for holistic and inclusive development and the democratisation of EdTech across the country are just a few of the many game changers that have come into play as Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini (SSSVV) turns 15! After setting up India's top schools and a multi-campus university, Bhagawan Baba decided to extend the advantages of Sai education to children everywhere. This was to bridge the ever-widening gap between India and Bharat, made conspicuous by the numeracy and literacy disparities between rural and urban children. Towards this end, He set up SSSVV as the digital platform to empower teachers everywhere and democratised access to high-quality content, training, teaching aids, communicative English for vernacular speakers, Inclusive education and much more. SSSVV is the world's largest and only philanthropy-driven EdTech project that covers the 360 degrees of the digital learning spectrum.

1. National Education Summit 2024

A 3-day National Education Summit: Integral to Inclusive was held at the Sai Hira Global Convention Centre, Prasanthi Nilayam from Jul 5 to 7, 2024.

The 600 participants included National Education Policy architects, policymakers, thought leaders, trainers, teachers, and EdTech experts from the government, private, and philanthropic sectors, school management teams, teachers and our volunteers; all aligned to improve the education landscape of the world, starting with Bharat.



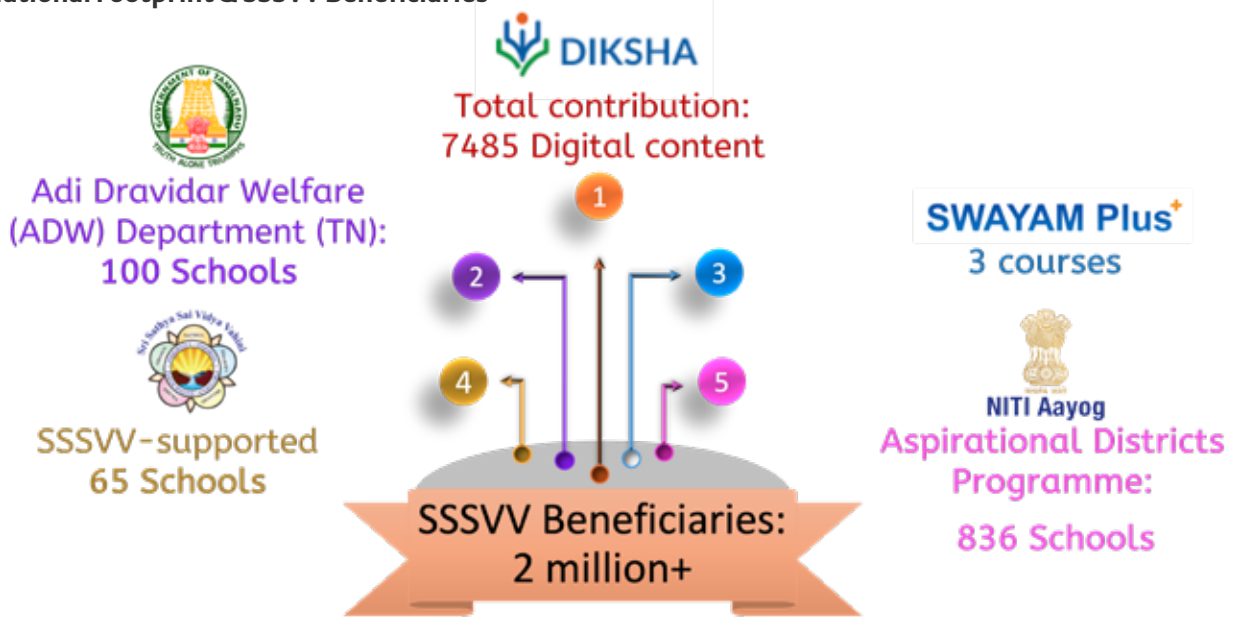
The conference recapitulated SSSVV's journey through the decade while defining its future course. It further explored tools, techniques, and strategies for making education inclusive.

Some notable speakers were Prof. Indu Kumar, Head, Department of ICT and Training Division, CIET-NCERT, Dr Bharti Kaushik, Associate Professor, CIET-NCERT, Mrs. Mallika Ganapathy, Consultant Educator, Prof. Victoria Naomi, Former Dean, School of Education, Avinashilingam University, Coimbatore, and Dr Anupam Ahuja, Professor and Former Head-International Relations Division and Department of Education of Groups with Special Needs-NCERT, Prof. Amarendra Behera, Joint Director, CIET-NCERT, Dr Onita Nakra, Educational Psychologist, Dubai and Prof. V Kamakoti, Director, IIT Madras.

The MTech students from the Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning, guided by Dr Uday Kiran, Associate Professor and Head of the Mathematics and Computer Science Department, are developing four web applications for the SSSVV Inclusive Education platform. The team was recognised for its significant contributions.



2. National Footprint & SSSVV Beneficiaries



3. DIKSHA

3.1 DIKSHA: It is a national platform providing Open Educational Resources (OER) for teachers, teacher educators, parents and students. As per a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with NCERT-CIET, SSSVV provides digital content to this platform.

Total contribution: 7485 digital content

3.2 SWAYAM Plus: An online education initiative developed by IIT Madras under the Ministry of Education to provide high-quality, industry-oriented courses for professional development and enhanced employability. Through an MoU with IIT-Madras, SSSVV is hosting its Teacher Education courses on this platform.

Total contribution: 3 courses

3.3 NITI Aayog Aspirational District Programme: It aims to accelerate the transformation of underdeveloped districts in India. It has been piloting our proprietary 'SOPAAN' Foundational Literacy and Numeracy program in two such districts, i.e. Vidisha in Madhya Pradesh and Virudhunagar in Tamil Nadu.

Total school beneficiaries: 836 schools

3.4 The Adi Dravidar Welfare Department Schools: An MoU was signed with the Government of Tamil Nadu to enhance the spoken English skills of teachers at these schools.

Total number of schools: 100 schools

3.5 SSSVV-affiliated schools: These schools are provided with digital content, training (online & onsite) and learning-teaching aids (physical, digital & ICT) to empower teachers for a human value integrated teaching-learning process.

Total school beneficiaries - 65 schools



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4. SSSVV Content

The Content team comprises 105 volunteers spread around the world, with new volunteers being inducted after the required training. The creates Lesson Plans for Classroom usage for up to Grade 9, drafts Process documents and SOPs for Corridor, Campus and Community, designing teacher education courses for the Swayam Plus Platform of the Ministry of Education, Government of India, via IIT Madras and conducting training sessions in collaboration with the training team, apart from coordinating with CSR partners.

4.1 Classroom Content

- SSSVV shifted to creating 'Concept-based' modules to sync with the new textbooks published by NCERT for grades 6 and 7.
- The new plans align with the National Curricular Framework [NCF] 2023.
- Around 80 new concept-based plans have been added across subjects in the last academic year.

4.2 Content Across Other Domains

Three newer process documents and SOPs have been added, integrating all four domains of influence: Classroom, Corridor, Campus and Community. They are:

- Read More Know More
- Road Safety Week [Sadak Suraksha Jeevan Raksha]
- Festivals – A Vehicle for Values

4.3 Content creation involving CSR partners

- Enabled creation of 'Brain buzz' (General Quiz) packages – To help schools conduct quiz competitions within their campus and develop a culture of 'Quizzing'. A total of about 100 themes across different age levels were provided.
- Reviewed and uploaded 'Dictionary Pictionary', a compilation of 1551 difficult words, their pronunciations, and a short meaning to the LMS.

Besides these, the 'Sahaveeryam Sessions' (In-house knowledge sharing and Upskilling sessions) were conducted periodically.

5. SSSVV Teaching/Learning Aids:

5.1 Launch of IMAGIC web-app

On Mar 30, 2025, on the auspicious occasion of Ugadi, a web-app named IMAGIC (ICT & Multimedia Aids Generation and Integration Console) was launched to enable seamless collaboration among volunteers across verticals to create requests, distribute tasks, track progress and provide visibility into the entire workflow.

Latest Offering: VDE00017
Total Offerings: 42

Submit Request (R)

Assign Mentor (R, C, M)

Assign Volunteer (R, C, M, V)

Requestor Approval (R, C, M, V)

Mentor Approval (R, C, M, V)

Upload File (R, C, M, V)

Finalize Request (R, C, M, V)

Upload Source Files (R, C, M, V)

Close Request (R, C, M, V)

R - Requestor
C - Coordinator
M - Mentor
V - Volunteer

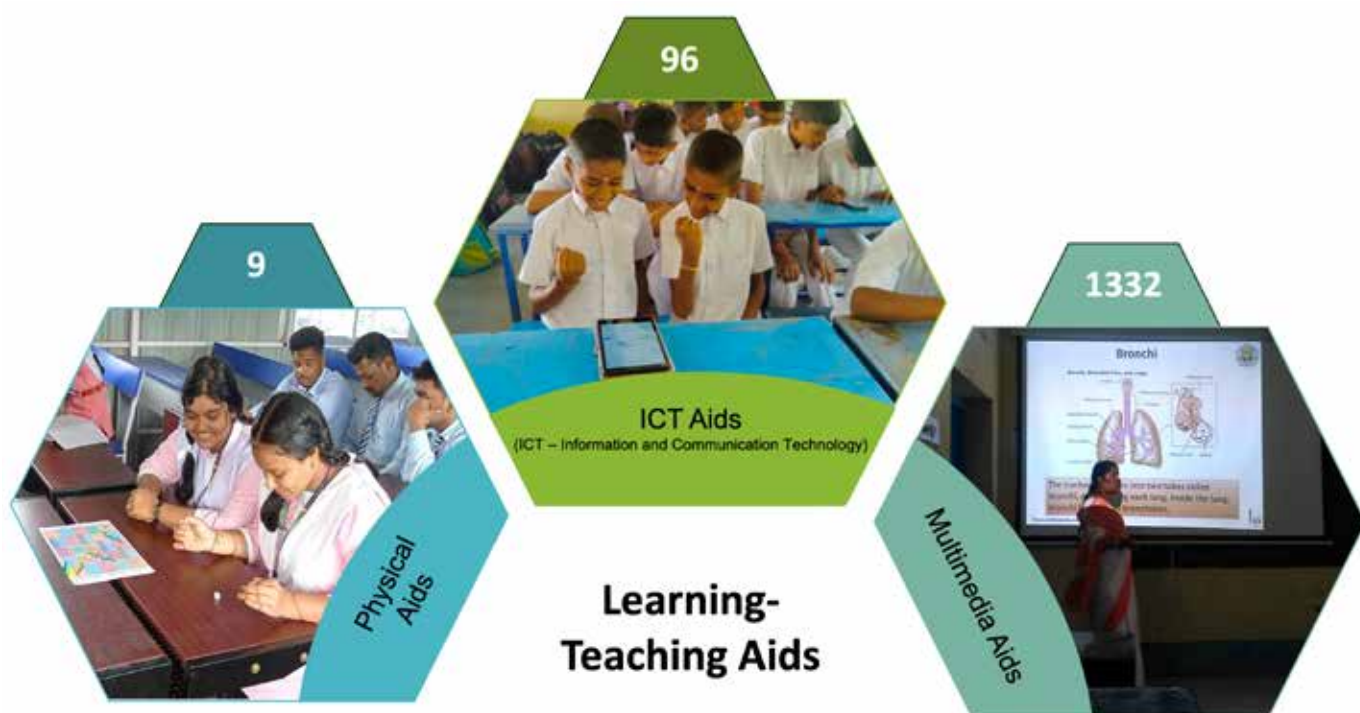
Must Do (Red)
May Do (Green)
Information (Grey)

Setup

- Role Management
- User Management
- MM Aid Types
- Audience Types
- Target Domain
- Board Management
- Chapter Management
- Subject Management
- BSSC Management
- Platform Management
- Purpose of AD-VD Management
- Language Management
- Illustration Type Management

Imagic DASHBOARD

5.2 Number of Learning-Teaching Aids Offered (2024-25)



6. SSSVV Training

The training team covers an array of core and ancillary training activities, ranging from creating training courses for teachers across SSSVV-affiliated schools and the Swayam Plus platform, conducting in-person Teacher training workshops, team expansion and implementation across schools, with deeper engagement with selected Lighthouse Schools. We also conduct a strand of the B.Ed. course training for the students of the SSSIHL and partner with the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants to promote Financial Literacy in rural schools.

6.1 Core Training

6.1.1 Teacher Training (T2)

Training	Mode	Frequency	Duration	Total Training Hours
Subject Expertise Training	Video Conferencing	Biweekly	90 minutes	1,444
Deep Learning	LMS and WhatsApp Posts	Weekly	Varies (20 min to 1hour)	45
Teacher Training	In-person	Annually	Varies (1 to 3 days)	3,474

6.1.2 Train the Trainer (T3): New Trainer Induction

Twenty-five new master trainers are being trained to expand the master trainer base across states and in the central team.

Teacher Competency Enhancement Courses

by Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini



2322 enrolled*
1841 completions*
79% course completion rate*



Still wondering why to enrol?

Our courses:

- are aligned to the National Education Policy NEP 2020
- provide modern, practical strategies to teach with impact
- use proven methods to connect and inspire every learner
- enable you to become a facilitator of an organic classroom

Course 1

Classroom Management

A Teaching Competency

Is classroom management just about psychology or teacher management? Log in to recognise it as a teaching competency with the four components: knowledge, skills, attitude, and values. Meet the classroom management needs as a skilled 21st century teacher.



Course 2

Caring Classrooms

The Heart of Education

Transform your teaching by integrating care, empathy and emotional intelligence into your classroom. Learn practical strategies to create a safe, inclusive environment where students feel valued. Watch your students become compassionate and confident, inspired by your responsive nature.



Course 3

Using Questions

To Engage and Enrich Classrooms

Questions drive engagement, discussion and deeper learning in the classroom. Learn practical strategies to design purposeful questions that align with learning goals, spark curiosity, enhance critical thinking and inspire active student participation.



6.1.3 Swayam Plus

Swayam Plus is the Government of India's Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) platform providing educational opportunities for a vast number of learners. On Jun 24, 2024, SSSVV signed an MOU with IIT-Madras, which is the nodal agency for Swayam Plus. At present, SSSVV has four courses currently on Swayam Plus, with one from the training team, and several more are under creation.



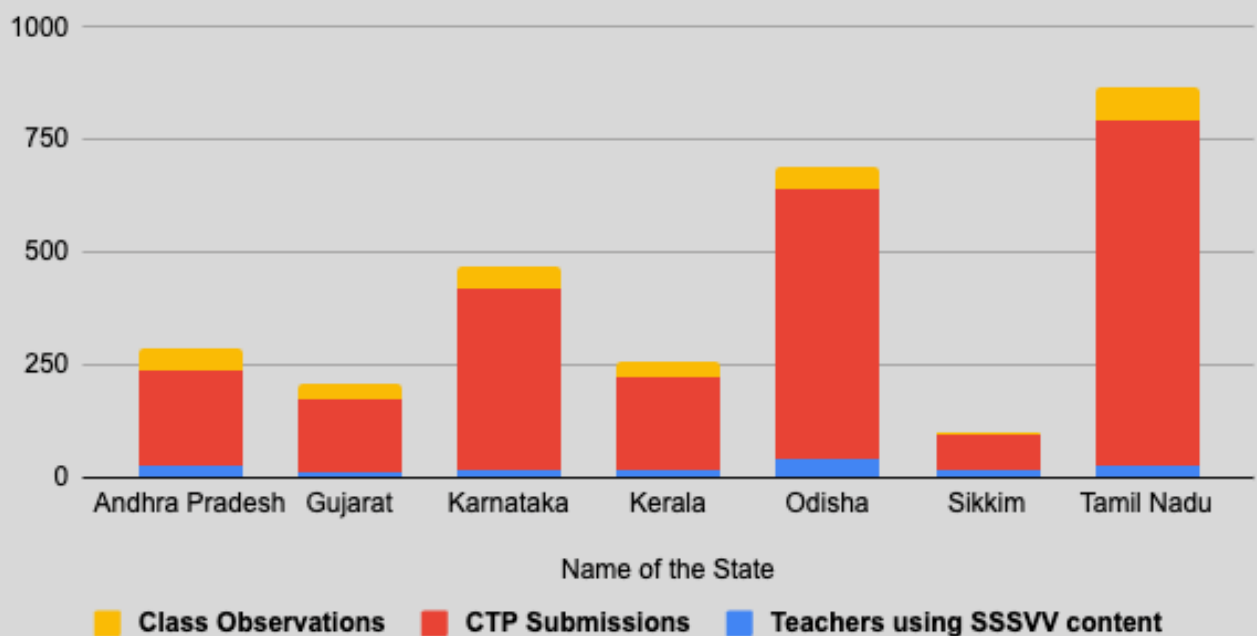
6.2 Lighthouse School (LHS) Initiative

Based on 26-point criteria, select schools bearing Bhagawan's name are implementing SSSVV with deeper engagement. This entails achieving 17 developmental goals across three areas of Development: Institute, Teacher, and Student. An SOP for schools to work towards becoming Lighthouse Schools (LHS) is being developed.

6.2.1 CTP - Chapter Teaching Plan

SSSVV's Continuous Professional Development (CPD) initiative currently provides 360° support to teachers keen on developing their competencies. 40 external academic coordinators support the 10 lighthouse schools participating in the initiative. The Academic Coordinators mentor the teachers, ensuring effective utilisation of the teaching resources provided. Then, they observe live classroom sessions and provide feedback to the teachers, enabling their continued skill development.

State-wise CTP Submissions and Class Observations - 2024-25



6.3 SSSIHL B.Ed. Students Training

First year B.Ed. Students are now receiving training for one week in the first semester and two weeks in the second semester in ICT (Information Communication Technology) skills and Teaching skills from SSSVV from September 2024. The ICT course covers the basics and some advanced skills in areas like presentation, course building and content creation. This year, 16 students were given training from Sep 17 to 14, 2024 (Semester 1) and January 20 to 26, 2025 (Semester 2).



6.4 Collaboration with ACCA for Financial Literacy

The Financial Literacy Programme was launched at these two locations:

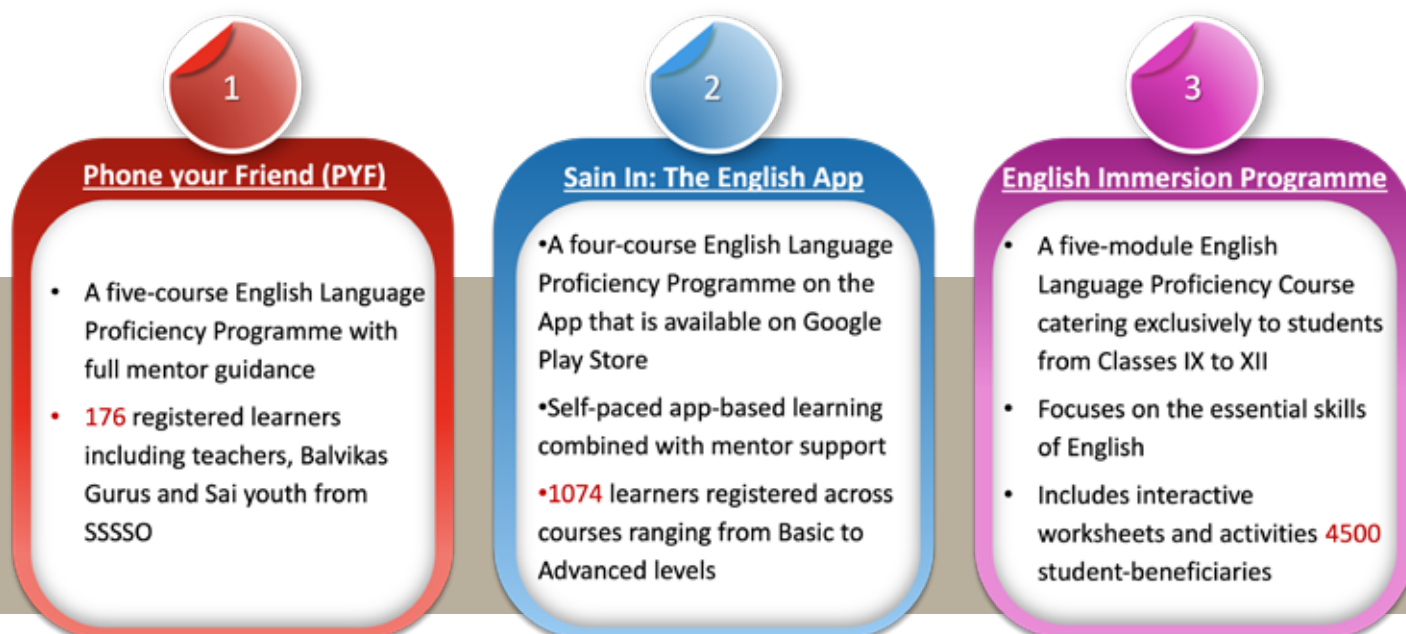
- Sri Sathya Sai Matriculation Hr. Sec. School, Chithode, TN (Jul 27, 2024)
– 150 parents/family members/community attended
- Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vihar, Macherla, AP (Aug 04, 2024)
– 180 parents/family members/community attended

ACCA members engaged with the community on the subjects of banking and finance, providing them with insights and practical knowledge. The programme also included skit performances by students, which focused on key financial concepts such as the benefits of banking, the perils of using money lenders, and the risks associated with chit funds. There was an active Q&A session where the ACCA members responded to the questions on various financial programmes.



7. Mission English

Initially began with the aim of empowering teachers and students from Sri Sathya Sai Schools, students from colleges like Sri Sathya Sai Nursing College and Sai youth from SSSSO. SSSVV, in partnership with interested non-Sai schools and colleges, has expanded its Mission English programme to many institutions in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra.



8. SOPAAN

SOPAAN is a bilingual, Foundational Literacy and Numeracy program from SSSVV for young children, for developing the passion and confidence for reading and learning. SOPAAN focused on the following three priorities in the year 2024–25.

8.1 Successful completion of an ambitious 5-year FLN initiative in the Aspirational district, Virudhunagar

SSSVV's ambitious five-year engagement with the government schools of Virudhunagar District in Tamil Nadu, under the guidance of NITI Aayog, has successfully concluded. This initiative reached all 804 government primary schools and more than 1,800 teachers across the 11 blocks in the district.



The inspiring journey of training and empowering teachers began in September 2019 with a pilot program that involved 90 schools in one block. Due to the success and overwhelmingly positive feedback from this pilot implementation, NITI Aayog approved a proposal to expand the program to include all primary schools in the district by the centenary year of Bhagawan. Despite facing nearly two years of setbacks due to COVID-19 and other challenges, this ambitious initiative was successfully completed within the planned timeframe. Twenty-three trainers and volunteers from SSSVV, including five teacher-trainers from the Mahatma Schools, provided training and support throughout the full-day program.

8.2 Democratising FLN Teaching–Learning: Open access through SWAYAM+

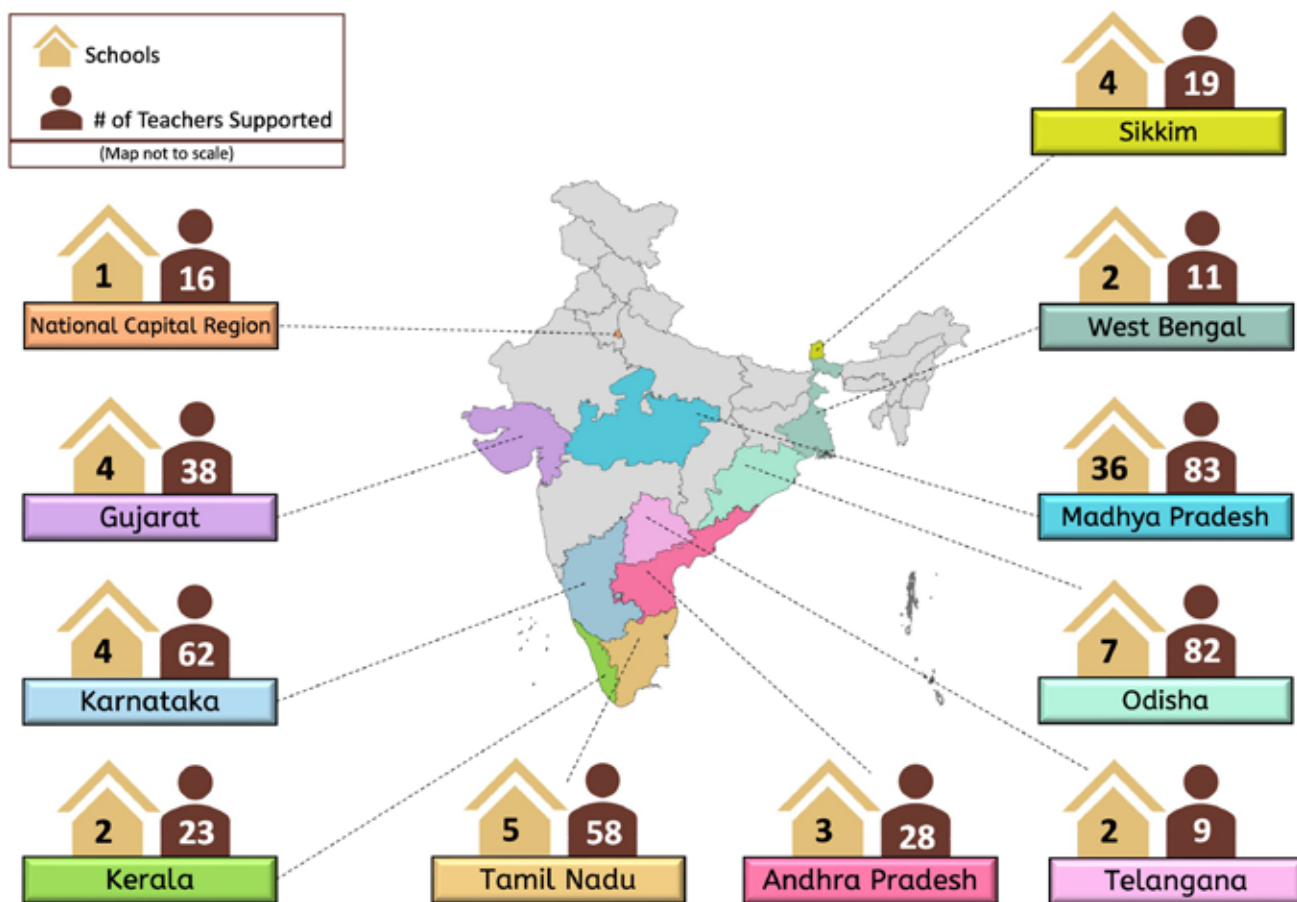
The SOPAAN teaching and learning materials have been significantly enhanced, featuring engaging multimodal activities, levelled picture books, decodable storybooks, curated rhymes and stories, as well as story worksheets that align with children’s learning levels. While these resources align with the Curricular Goals, Competencies, and Learning Outcomes outlined in the National Curriculum Framework (NCF) for the Foundational Stage (2022), they are also customisable to fit the curriculum used by any state or school.

8.3 Broadening and Deepening the FLN Impact

The SOPAAN program implementation is now supported by nearly 100 certified trainers and coordinators, who are training and mentoring teachers and supporting the program implementation across 11 states nationwide. These trainers and coordinators support the schools in assessing the learning level of each child periodically, guide teachers to design personalised learning paths and track the children’s learning progress. Bilingual FLN teaching–learning using Hindi as a familiar language to teach–learn English is given a high focus in the northern states, especially in MP, Delhi and Sikkim.

In Vidisha, an aspirational district in Madhya Pradesh, SOPAAN is working under the guidance of NITI Aayog to support foundational learning initiatives in 32 pilot schools. The SOPAAN team visited all 32 schools to observe and monitor the children’s learning progress. They also assisted teachers in achieving the Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) goals set by Mission Ankur, a state initiative focused on FLN in Madhya Pradesh. Additionally, the SOPAAN program in Madhya Pradesh is expanding with the involvement of more local trainers and the implementation of the program in four non–government schools.

SOPAAN has made a humble beginning outside India in Luanda, Angola, in Africa, a developing country with a low literacy rate. SSSVV has conducted an orientation session for two schools in Luanda that sought support for implementing the SOPAAN program.



429 Teachers, 70 Schools Implementing SOPAAN

9. SSSVV Inclusive Education Project (SSSVV IEP)

The Government of India's New Education Policy (NEP) 2020 aims to make every school in India inclusive by 2030. SSSVV's Inclusive Education Project is developing digital content for various stakeholders to help achieve this national objective.

9.1 NCERT CIET

With Bhagawan's grace, SSSVV has reached a significant milestone by publishing digital content and aids in the Inclusive and Equitable Education section on DIKSHA (Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing – India's national digital education platform launched by NCERT under the Ministry of Education). The Inclusive Education team of SSSVV has worked closely with the NCERT CIET team to enable the upload of SSSVV's digital material on DIKSHA.GOV.IN



9.2 Website Launch – inclusivelearning.sssvv.org

On Jul 6, 2024, Mr RJ Rathnakar, Managing Trustee, SSSCT, officially launched the new educational website for Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini Inclusive Education. This launch represents a significant advancement in creating an accessible and engaging learning environment for all stakeholders. This innovative platform will offer a broad range of digital educational resources, including multimedia content, capacity-building materials and more. These are designed to meet the educational requirements of neurotypical students and those with special needs. A Media Bank has been developed and is operational, with 4000 original photographs and illustrations uploaded for content creation.



9.3 Collaboration with other Institutions

All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru

A total of 25 educational videos showcasing various teaching strategies and subject content were recorded with teachers from the All-India Institute of Speech and Hearing in Mysuru. These videos will be used as Learning Teaching Materials (LTMs) to support and enhance student learning.

On Apr 27, 2024, a tripartite agreement was signed between SSSCT, the Muskan Foundation for People with Multiple Disabilities, and Muskan Under One Roof. This agreement aims to prepare resources for mainstream teachers and parents to build capacity focused on various aspects of visual impairment.

An Action Research Workshop was organised to cater to SSSVV volunteers, principals and teachers from SSSVV-supported schools, B.Ed. students, MA English students, research scholars and faculty members of SSSIHL (ATP campus), addressing their specific needs for systematic problem-solving and continuous improvement. The workshop was part of ongoing efforts to improve teaching practices, bridge gaps in the creation and implementation of SSSVV deliverables, and encourage the publication of papers in reputable journals and conferences. The sessions were led by Prof. Bharti Kaushik, NCERT CIET, an expert in action research, who has published 20 research papers in national and international journals. She was assisted by Ms Bhawna Malik, academic consultant, NCERT CIET.



MoU with All-India Institute of Speech and Hearing, Mysuru



Action Research Workshop



Sri Sathya Sai Centre for Human Values

The Sri Sathya Sai Centre for Human Values (SSSCHV) aims to carry out Research and Training programs with the focus on Sri Sathya Sai Sahitya (spiritual literature). The Sri Sathya Sai Sahitya mostly consists of the Vahini series written from 1958 to 1984, Discourses given during various occasions, over many decades and letters penned by Sri Sathya Sai. The objective of the SSSCHV is:

‘To foster the Study of Sri Sathya Sai Literature in order to promote a holistic understanding of a spiritual life and living.’

This fiscal year saw several programs being conducted under the auspices of the SSSCT.

Sri Sathya Sai Swadhyaya - To Connect Within

SSSCHV conducts a series of in-person, interactive workshops titled ‘Sri Sathya Sai Swadhyaya - to Connect Within’. Based entirely on Bhagawan’s Sahitya, these workshops cover both philosophy & practice and are conducted at frequent intervals, in Prasanthi Nilayam. During this year (Apr 2024 to Mar 2025), a total of 21 workshops were conducted on the following topics: Seva as Sadhana, Dhyana Sadhana, A Simple Practical Model for Ideal Sai Human Life, Ramayana Our Daily Therapy, Ashtanga Yoga for Wellness and Anger Management. The duration of each workshop was about 2.5 hours. More than 450 devotees from the Sri Sathya Sai district and visiting Prasanthi Nilayam from India and Overseas participated and benefited through these workshops.



Sri Sathya Sai Pragathi Patham (SSSPP)

This program covers Bhagawan's directions and His expectations from all active members of the Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisations, be they office bearers, active sadhakas or general devotees. The contents of this interactive program are almost entirely based on Divine Discourses and Vahinis. Two Divine discourses – Heart of the Organisation & Responsibilities of the Badge, are predominantly discussed, which are sent in advance to the participant to go through and come prepared for the session, which could be either online or in-person. The duration of the Program is around 3.5 hours.

On Oct 26, 2024, a large number of devotees from SSS Global Council Zone 1 countries, consisting of Canada, the USA and the West Indies, participated in this SSSPP program conducted online.

Programs for Sri Sathya Sai Global Council Countries

On Jan 04, 2025, an online session on 'Summary of Prema Vahini' was conducted as part of the program titled 'Sai Anveshana – Discover the Inner Sai' for the devotees of Sri Sathya Sai Organisation UK CIO. More than 100 participants attended this session.



Universal Human Values (UHV) course training for the faculty of Anjaneya University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh

A two-day introductory seminar on the importance of Human Values and a course introduction to UHV was conducted for about 100 faculty members of the Anjaneya University based in Raipur. Thereafter, for selected faculty, 12 online workshops were conducted outlining the methodology and content to be covered in teaching the UHV course for the students of their university.

Teachers' Orientation Program of SSSSO, Telangana

SSSCHV has taken up a few sessions for the participants of the 'Teachers Orientation Program' conducted by the SSSSO, Telangana, in Prasanthi Nilayam. Over 400 Government School Teachers of Palamoor District of Telangana State participated in this program conducted on October 03, 2024.

National Leadership Program of SSSSO

SSSCHV has taken up a few sessions for the participants of the National Leadership Program conducted by the SSSSO, India. Over 700 participants from two batches attended the three-day programs conducted in Prasanthi Nilayam. In addition, SSSCHV also participates in conducting a few online sessions from time to time for these batches of participants.

Sri Sathya Sai Adhyatma Vidya – Foundation Course

Sri Sathya Sai Adhyatma Vidya – Foundation Course was first launched with around 90 participants in the year 2022. The course covers in-depth the teachings of Bhagawan Baba on various topics of spirituality with a focus on the '9-Point Code of Conduct' in a structured manner. The course is hosted on a customised Learning Management System (LMS) and consists of multimedia content specially curated and produced for this topic. Over 70 hours of video and audio content were specifically scripted, recorded and edited with multi-media features covering Bhagawan Baba's teachings spanning from understanding spirituality to its terminology

related to various aspects of Devotional Singing, Prayers, Family Management, Ceiling on Desires, Seva, Sai Literature, Meditation, etc. in 14 modules. This course involves practical methods, assignments, tests and online live interactive Question & Answer sessions between the participants and the faculty. The third batch of the program, with 170 participants (out of which 7 participants from overseas), concluded with the Course Completion Certificate Handing over Function held in Sai Kulwant Hall on Jun 21, 2024. The fourth batch commenced on January 19, 2025, with 270 participants (out of which 17 participants are from overseas).







Related Websites

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