



Sandhya Gurukulam

AN AIM FOR SEVA PROJECT

Objective and Goals

This programme has been designed to extend AIM for Seva's educational **service** in rural India. The NGO currently operates 101 Chatralayams and 6 schools across India with over 9,000 students benefiting from the value-based educational curriculum on an annual basis.

There is a growing demand for educational support and cultural classes from students of rural India. As part of our educational outreach initiative, we are looking to bring in more students in our network through this evening class programme across villages in India. The programme on ground also reflects our two decades of experience in the field of rural education.



*The end goal is overall development of the child.
It is committed to a child's:*

Education: Academic Improvement

Value-Based Education and Culture Validation: Imbibing of cultural and learning values from early on in life

Physical Fitness: Yoga and Sports



Programme Highlights

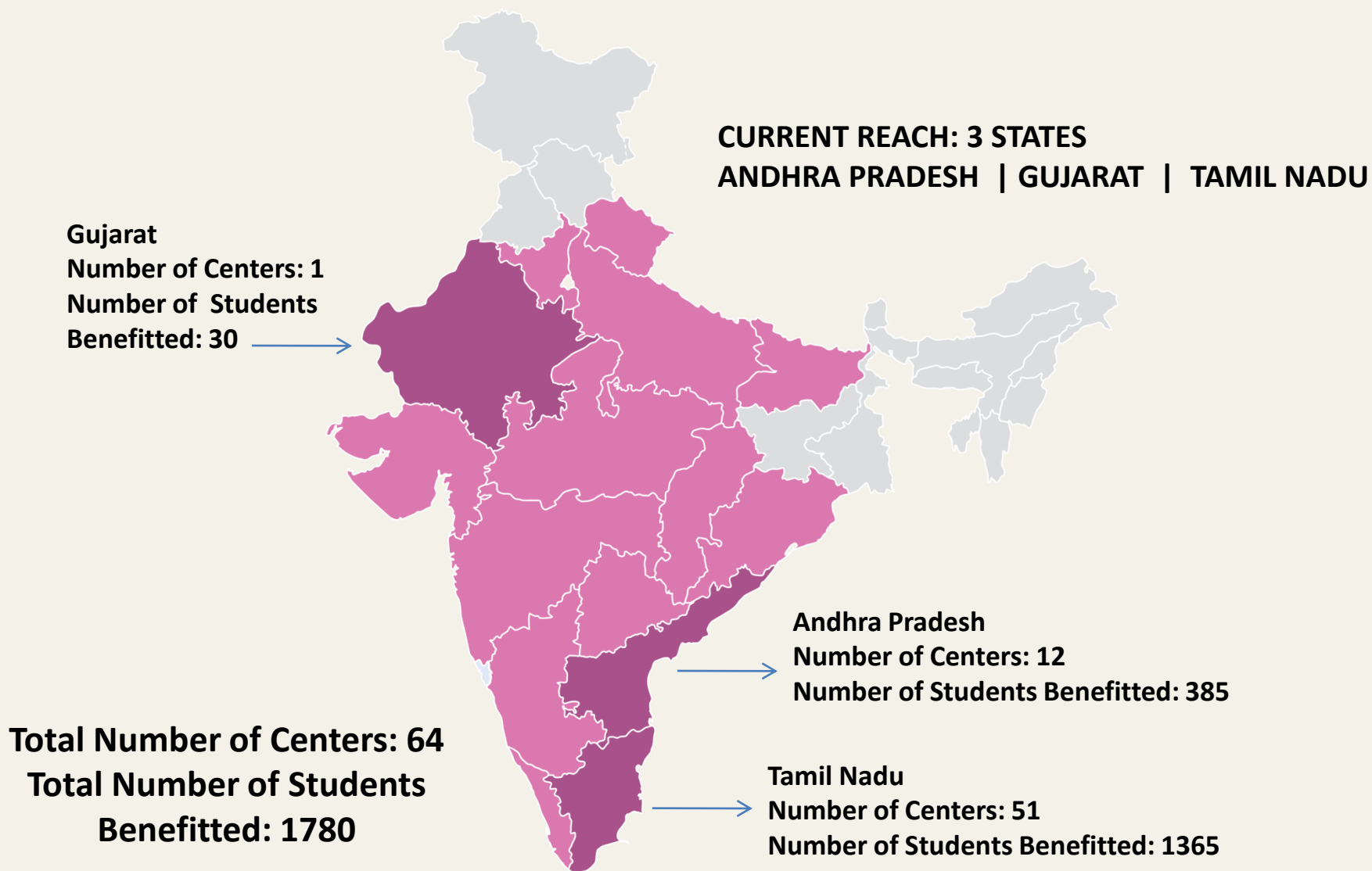
A trained sevak or *Sandhya Gurukulam* teacher takes on the overall responsibility of the programme. Students from the neighboring villages assemble for a fun filled and learning based evenings at a common venue.

Curriculum

- ❖ **Evening Tuitions:** The main activity is helping students complete their daily homework and gain subject knowledge and proficiency.
- ❖ **Yoga, Sports and Culture Validation:** The curriculum also focuses on physical fitness of students through yoga, outdoor games, story telling, chanting, drama, fun games and puzzles.
- ❖ **Class Focus:** Students from Classes 3 to 8
- ❖ **Duration:** Every class is of two hours.

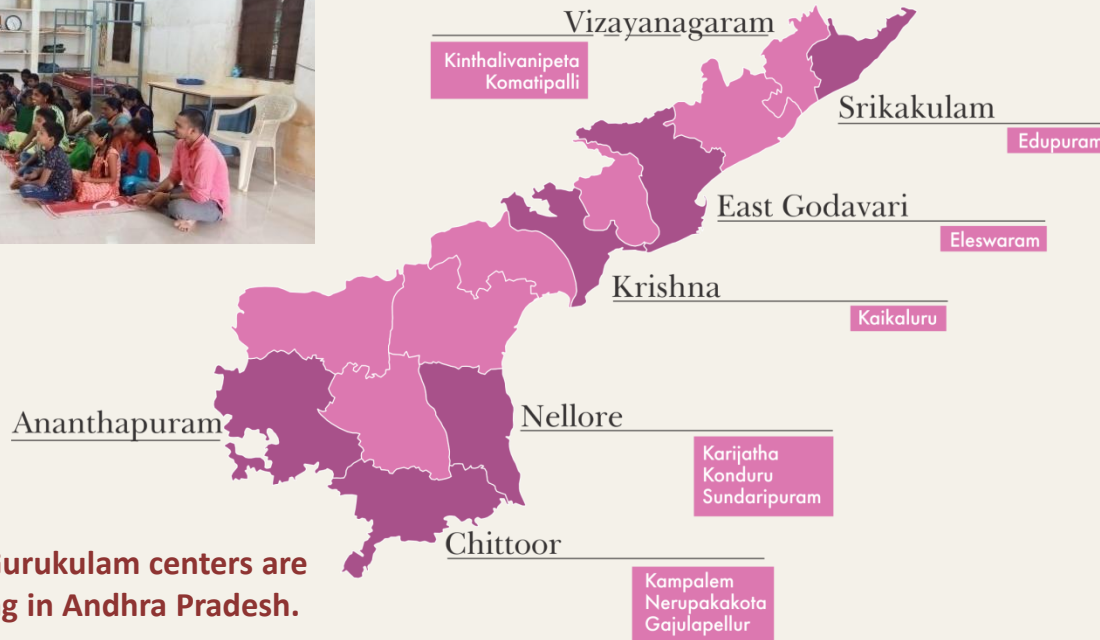
The first half of the class is devoted towards academics after which the focus shifts to physical fitness and cultural activities. At the end of the programme, students are served light refreshments.

IMPACT ON THE GROUND



ANDHRA PRADESH

TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS BENEFITTED TILL DATE: 385



Twelve Sandhya Gurukulam centers are currently operating in Andhra Pradesh.

Future Plan for Sandhya Gurukulams in Andhra Pradesh

The coordinator of this initiative says that the pilot has been well received by the beneficiaries, their parents and other local stakeholders.

AIM for Seva currently has 13 Chatralayams in the region with 10 for boys and the remaining for girls.

Eventually, the plan is to have a Sandhya Gurukulam programme in each of the Chatralayams and in its vicinity in the form of satellite centers.

Right now, this project is being manned by the coordinator and respective wardens.

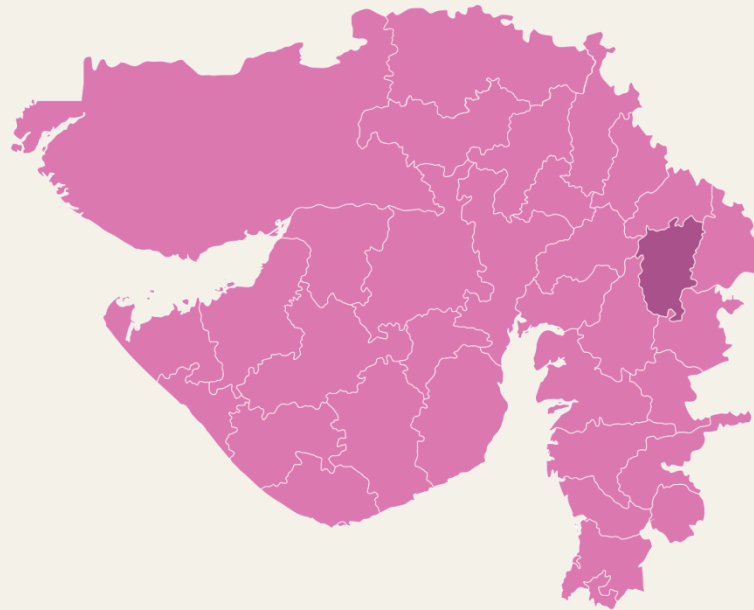
In future, local committee in each of the area (with participation of all concerned stakeholders) is expected to be formed to oversee the smooth functioning of this programme on a day to day basis.



GUJARAT

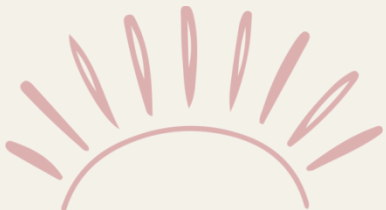
TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS BENEFITTED TILL DATE: 30

Sandhya Gurukulam classes have commenced at the Swami Dayananda AIM for Seva Adivasi Chatralayam for Boys, Bodidara, Gujarat



Panchmahal

Bodidara



TAMIL NADU

CUDDALORE, PERAMBALUR AND YELAGIRI (TIRUPATHUR) DISTRICTS

51 Sandhya Gurukulam centers are currently operational in all these areas

TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS BENEFITTED TILL DATE: 1365

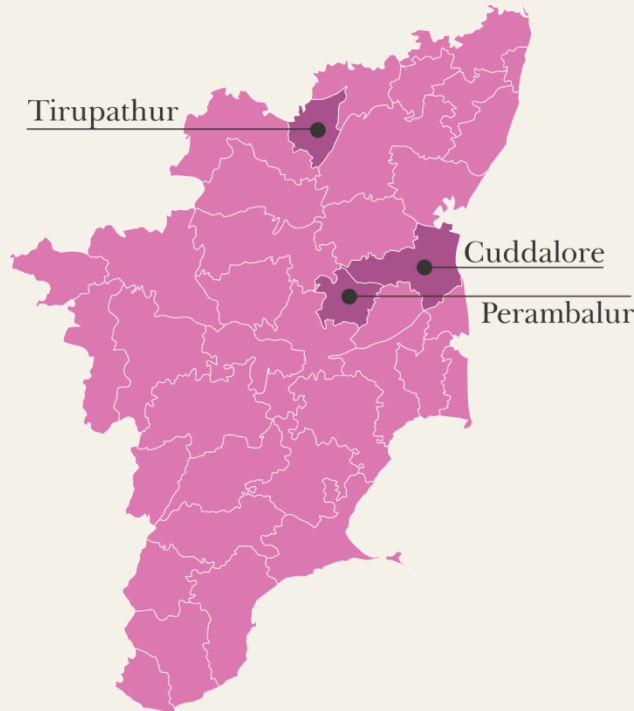


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INAUGURATION OF NEW *SANDHYA GURUKULAM* CENTRE

A new *Sandhya Gurukulam* was inaugurated on 21st January 2022 at Yelagiri hills, Kottur village, Vellore district, Tamil Nadu.

As a precursor to opening of the centre, the coordinator, Swamini Suddhavidyananda Saraswati ji held a 'Light the Lamp' campaign. This was a door to door initiative that aimed at promoting Indian culture, heritages, values and way of life among those living in Jawadhu and Yelagiri hills in Vellore district, Tamil Nadu.



SHAPING THE FUTURE

In the first phase, 100 *Sandhya Gurukulam* centers will be set up. Already, 64 centers are up and running. We have many more miles to go.

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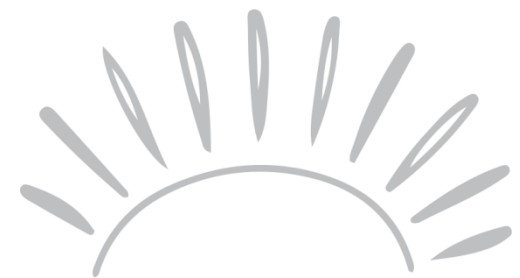
For this; we need the help of people like you. You can make a difference by being a contributor; by sponsoring a *Sandhya Gurukulam*.

RUNNING EXPENSES

It costs \$ 1700 to run a *Sandhya Gurukulam* centre, every year.

Let us work together and make this project a huge success!

Talk to your friends about it and let us change the lives of hundreds of children in rural India.



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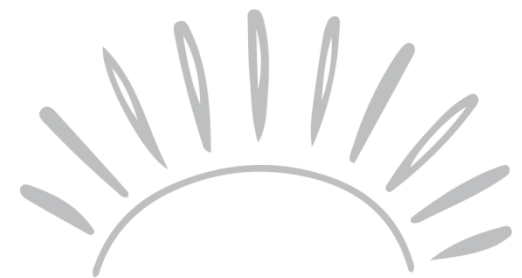
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Total cost to run all centers in Andhra Pradesh: \$20,400

Total cost to run all centers in Tamil Nadu: : \$86,700

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ABOUT AIM FOR SEVA



Founded by Pujya Swami Dayananda Saraswati in 2000, AIM for Seva aims to “To transform society through a network of Seva, of caring, to bridge the urban-rural divide, empowering every person to contribute to the progress of the nation.”

There is not adequate dialogue or connection between people in the urban areas with those living in the villages, hills, forests and tribal regions in our country. AIM for Seva's work lies in creating institutions that will help bridge this gap.

In line with this larger vision, we instituted our flagship project: Chatralayams or free student hostels, with the aim of enabling children from impoverished, rural and tribal areas to have the same advantages as children of means.

Following that, over the last 20 years, AIM for Seva has set up a wide range of projects that address several social issues. Today, AIM for Seva is running 133 projects, through which we have positively impacted over 20 million people.

CHATRALAYAMS

Through its Chatralayams (Free Student Hostels), AIM for Seva enables formal education, responsible living, modest lifestyle, healthy and nutritious food, uniforms, after-school coaching and activities to enable the students to tap into their innate potential and channel it effectively.

The first Chatralayam was set up in 2001 in Anaikatti, Tamil Nadu, and began with an enrollment of 32 boys. Today, we have 101 Chatralayams with 4,000 students living and studying in them.

HEALTHCARE

AIM for Seva has instituted six healthcare facilities across the states of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat and Tamil Nadu.

COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

AIM for Seva runs two vocational training centers in Tamil Nadu, three tailoring centers and one non-formal education centre in Uttarakhand.

These institutions help to equip the women with vocational skills and basic computer literacy, and help them on the road to progress.

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

AIM for Seva has built schools in rural parts of India (four schools and a college in Tamil Nadu and two schools in Madhya Pradesh). Each of these institutions is equipped with requisite infrastructural facilities, classrooms that feature modern teaching tools and well-equipped laboratories.

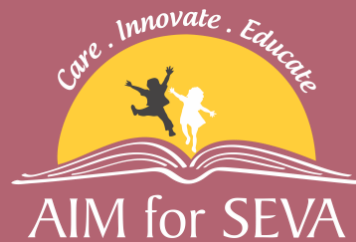
SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Swami Dayananda Krupa Care, inaugurated in 1998; (located near Chennai) is a residential facility that caters to adults (men) with developmental disabilities.

The AIM for Seva Shanmuga Society (inaugurated in 2002; located in Hyderabad) works with children with developmental disabilities.

SUSTAINABLE LIVING

The core activities across our projects for sustainable development include conserving and cultivating heritage rice varieties, medicinal plants, vegetable crops and native trees, using only natural farming methods, encouraging seed sharing, and providing training programs.



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