



# ZWILLING FOUNDATION INDIA

A Training Center for Better Life



## 2024-2025

# ANNUAL REPORT

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## ZWILLING FOUNDATION INDIA: Growing with confidence

Zwilling Foundation India, an initiative taken by the Werhahn Group of Companies, Germany and Mr.R.Sambasiva Rao, India. It was founded as a Public Charitable Trust Act in 2011. Through an array of measures, it works to help differently abled children and women to lead a normal life by providing services like early identification, intervention, education, vocational training, employment opportunities and aids and assistive devices etc. By sponsoring education and by providing vocational training, it works to open opportunities for differently abled and marginalized children and women. Zwilling Foundation India at present works with 69 children and around 100 women and is aspiring to include more vocational training programs and reach out to the needy. Zwilling Foundation India also undertakes many other one-time community and livelihood projects.

### Our Vision

A society where every disabled and marginalized woman lives with dignity, autonomy, and equal opportunity—empowered to lead, thrive, and shape their own future.

### Our Mission

To work towards an Inclusive Society by providing opportunities through training, Skill development and economic empowerment to the Differently abled and marginalised woman.





## TRUSTEE'S NOTE.....

### Greetings To All !

Feeling privileged to be on the Board of Zwilling Foundation India, where each one strives to make a difference in the lives of persons with disability. This year, we are honored to invite Mr. Alexander Gluden to our Team. Looking forward to newer ideas and approaches to reach out to persons with disability.

Happy to share that not just Members of The Board and Team are committed towards a Cause but we get a lot of support even from Friends and Friends of Friends.



Mrs. Bindu.V. Modi

I would like to make a special mention of one such Friend Mr. Rui Santos whose generous support has touched many lives. Some of our projects undertaken during 2024-25 are because of his support. 4 children have been supported by him for education for a period of 5 years each and about 8 community projects are funded by him which include 5 projects for repairs and development of infrastructure in government schools and 3 for providing portable water to villages, who do not have adequate drinking water facilities within radius of 2 kms or more. Gratitude Mr. Rui Santos on behalf of the Beneficiaries and Team Zwilling.

One very interesting project undertaken this year was the renovation of Vanur District Anganwadi (Government pre-school and day care center). The impact of this project is very visible already, with feedback from parents and staff of the school. Replication of similar projects is recommended for the coming year.

Working with Persons with disabilities for over 4 decades makes one realize how much potential is disguised behind the label of disability. This is clearly reflected in our Success stories and statistics in job opportunities provided by The Foundation. Truly satisfying and proud.

This journey at Zwilling has never been ours alone. It has been built by you, our donors, parents, volunteers, staff, and well-wishers, who have stood with us, believed in our vision, and made every breakthrough possible. Change is not a single moment; it is a movement, and together, we are shaping a world where ability is never questioned.

Disabilities deserve more than just care; they deserve opportunity, dignity, and a brighter future awaits them.

In Gratitude

Mrs. Bindu.V. Modi,  
Trustee, Zwilling Foundation India.

# OUR PROJECTS

**SKILL TRAINING**

**GODCHILDREN PROJECT - EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP**

**LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM**

**AIDS & ASSISTIVE DEVICES**

**LIVELIHOOD PROJECTS**

**COMMUNITY PROJECTS**

**EDUCATION SUPPORT FOR HIGHER EDUCATION**

**WALBURGA -CARL ALBERT ENDOWMENT SCHEME**

**COMMUNITY PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY RUI SANTOS**

# OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR 2024-2025

In the year 2024-2025, Zwilling Foundation India proudly initiated 96 impactful projects across Pondicherry and Tamil Nadu, reaching out to over 6772 beneficiaries. These initiatives span across key areas including skill training, Livelihood Support, Community Development, Aids & Assistive Devices, Education Sponsorship. Each project is a testament to our commitment to uplift lives, empower individuals, and build stronger, more inclusive communities.

S.No	Project Category	No.of Projects	Total Beneficiaries
1	Skill Training	3	73
2	Godchildren Project	1	64
3	Livelihood Program	1	61
4	Aids & Assistive Devices	17	498
5	Livelihood Project	35	140
6	Community Project	17	2037
7	Education Sponsorship for Higher Education	12	12
8	Walburga Carl Albert Endowment Scheme	2	8
9	Community Projects Supported by Mr.Rui Santos	8	3879
Total		96	6772

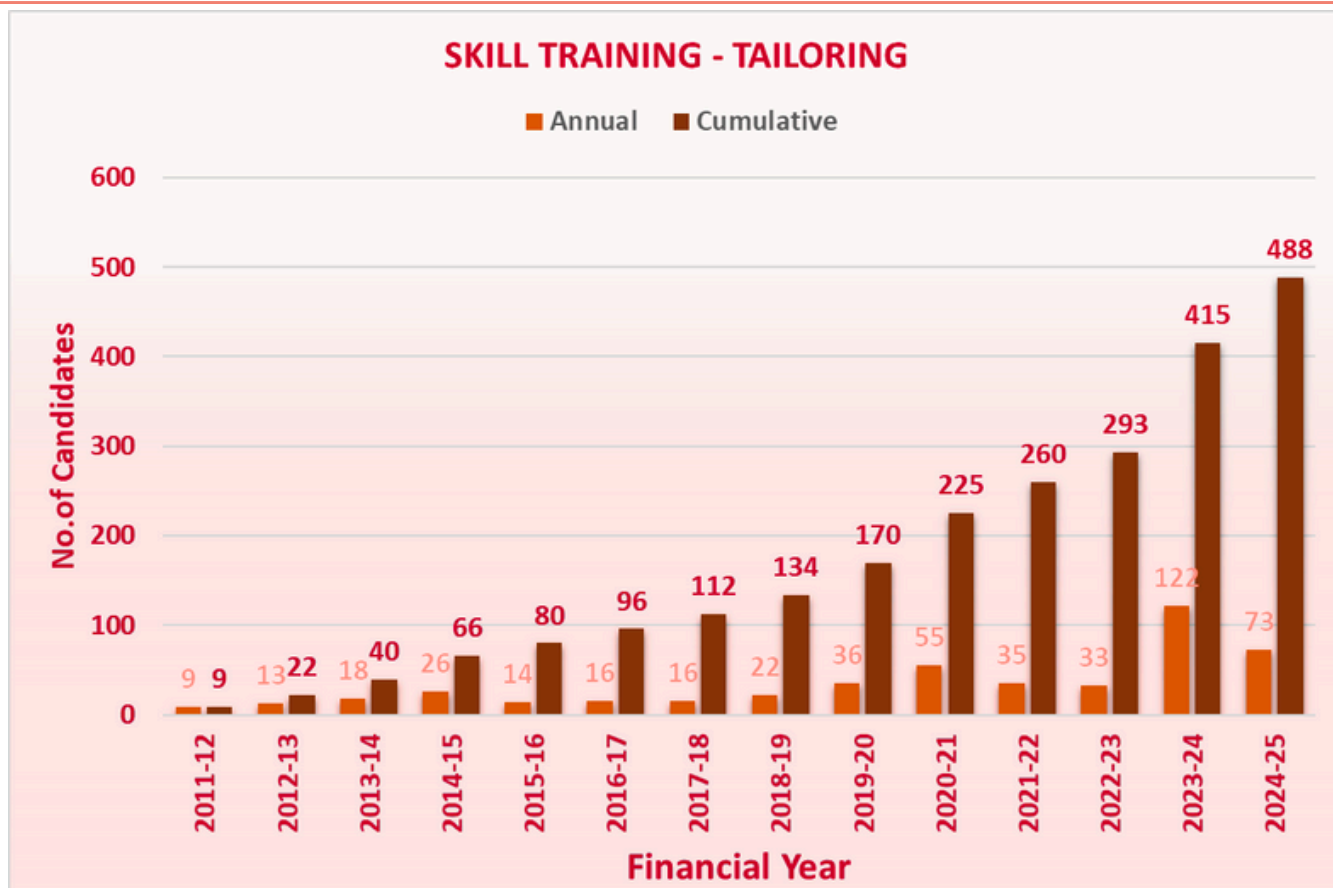


ON-THE-MOVE MEAL SUPPORT



# Skill Training

From April 2024 to March 2025, we trained a total of 73 candidates, in tailoring skill development program both in-house and through outreach programs. An outreach program in Nesal Village centre had twenty-five candidates in two different batches for a period of 12 months and Vudhavi Karangal orphanage has accommodated 26 candidates with 25 girls and 1 boy for 3 months. A total of 488 candidates have been trained in different skills until March 2025.



### A new Mile Stone

Zwilling Foundation India has launched a Rural Training Center in Nesal Village, marking a key milestone in its skill development efforts. The center equips locals with vocational skills for sustainable livelihoods, especially those have restrictions to travel from their living place. After two training batches, the initiative will rotate to other villages, expanding its reach. The batch has supported 25 women in Tailoring training from June 2024 for a period of 1 year.

Certificate Distribution to 1st Batch



2nd batch inauguration



Training day in Nesal Village



### Empowering Through Skill: Tailoring Training at Vudhavi Karangal Orphanage

Zwilling Foundation India's one-year tailoring vocational program started in June 2024 and trained 36 residents, concluding with certificates and awards for top performers, promoting self-reliance through monitored vocational training.

Certificate Distribution in the Orphanage



### Building Careers Through Internship Program



Five students from Swami Vivekananda Rural Community College completed a three-month internship with Zwilling Foundation India. One intern secured a job as a piece-rate worker at the Zwilling unit, earning a steady income, while the remaining four returned to their hometowns to utilize their newly acquired skills.

## **HOLISTIC WELFARE ACTIVITIES FOR TRAINEES**

### **Counselling Sessions:**

In May 2024, Mrs. Bindu Modi, in collaboration with intern Dhiya, conducted a counseling session titled “Empowering Mothers of Persons with Disabilities.” This was followed by a group session for all trainees in July 2024, focusing on managing relationships and marriage.

### **One-Day Trip to Chennai:**

On August 10, trainees enjoyed a joyful picnic to Chennai and Mahabalipuram, filled with sightseeing, music, dance, shopping with their own earnings, beach fun, and caring support from staff throughout.

### **Ayudha Pooja & Pongal Celebrations:**

Cultural celebrations promoted unity, joy, and pride in heritage, while gift distribution and traditional rituals fostered a sense of belonging and collective celebration among trainees.



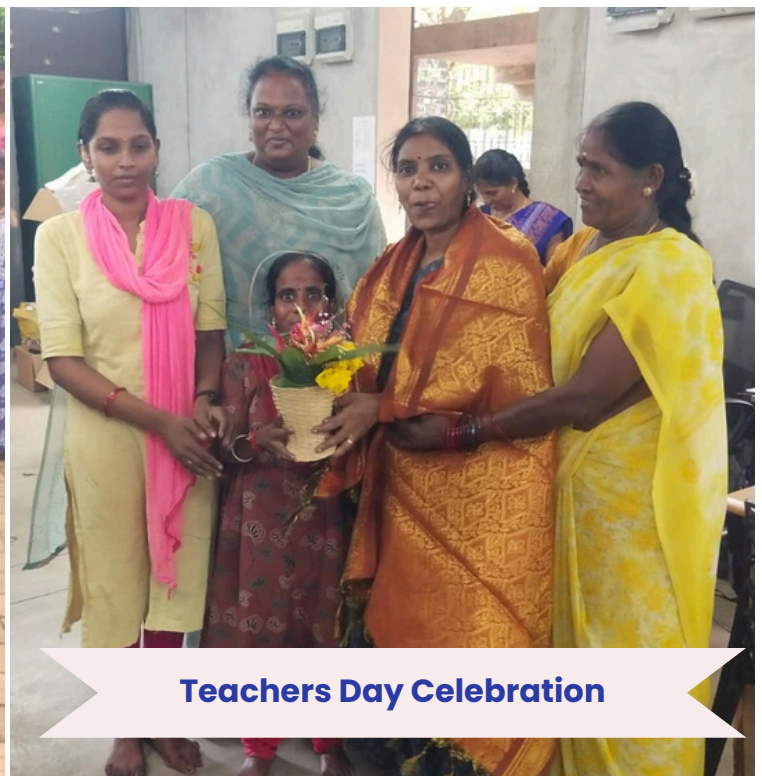
**Picnic to Mahabalipuram, Chennai**



**Counselling Session with Mothers of Persons with Disabilities**



**Pongal Celebration in January 2025**



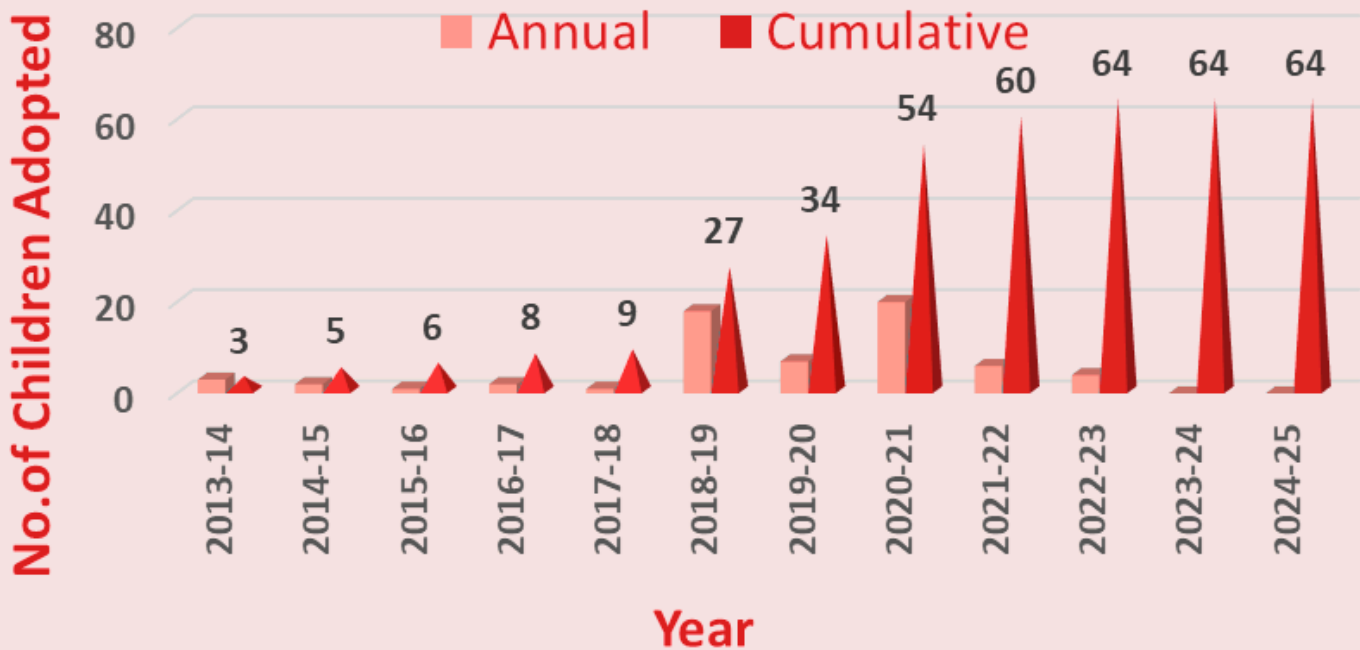
**Teachers Day Celebration**



## Godchildren Project Education Sponsorship

The God Child program continues to support 64 differently abled children throughout the year by providing educational and medical assistance.

### Godchildren





### From Ruins to Relief: Standing with 18 Affected Families

The Fengal Cyclone severely impacted 18 Godchildren families, damaging homes and destroying essentials. Relief materials and grocery support were provided, helping them recover and rebuild their lives with hope and dignity.



### The Road to Recovery : Physiotherapy Sessions



Through regular home visits, Dr. Ahamed Aarif provided personalized physiotherapy to Godchildren. The mobility aids like walkers and calipers, enhanced each godchild's physical development, and overall well-being.



## **Nurturing Well-being and Joy: Activities for Godchildren**

### **Birthday Celebration:**

Each month, godchildren's birthdays are joyfully celebrated with thoughtful gifts and cake-cutting, creating cherished moments and smiles that make every celebration truly special and memorable.

### **Health Supplements**

Godchild Sriram received monthly health supplements like sprouts mix, energy drinks, lentils, and dates, boosting his nutrition and growth. His parents gratefully welcomed the consistent support.

### **Christmas Cards & Gifts:**

Godchildren lovingly crafted handmade Christmas cards and gifts, expressing heartfelt gratitude and affection for their Godparents, strengthening the bond with their cherished sponsors.

### **Godchildren Christmas Celebration:**

In November 2024, a joyful Christmas celebration with performances, gifts, and special guests brought immense happiness to the Godchildren, creating cherished memories for all.

### **Counselling Session:**

A February 2025 counseling session prepared Godchildren for board exams, offering motivation, stress relief techniques, and study tips to boost confidence and academic performance.





**Counselling Session to  
Godchildren  
appearing for Board  
Exams**

A career counselling session was held for 12th pass-outs, guiding them on higher education. We congratulate Godchildren Ranjan, Rahul, Aditya, Nanthakumar, and Nandhini for their success in the board exam.

### **Helping Hands: Transforming Lives of Godchildren**

- Godchild Akash has been provided with a two-wheeler equipped with supporting wheels to assist with his mobility to school.
- Godchild Nanthakumar, Godchild Swathini, and Godchild Jasim Ahamed were provided with a hearing aid to support them during this crucial stage of their education.
- Godchild Juan Belmont was provided with a bicycle to help him commute to school independently.



# Livelihood Program



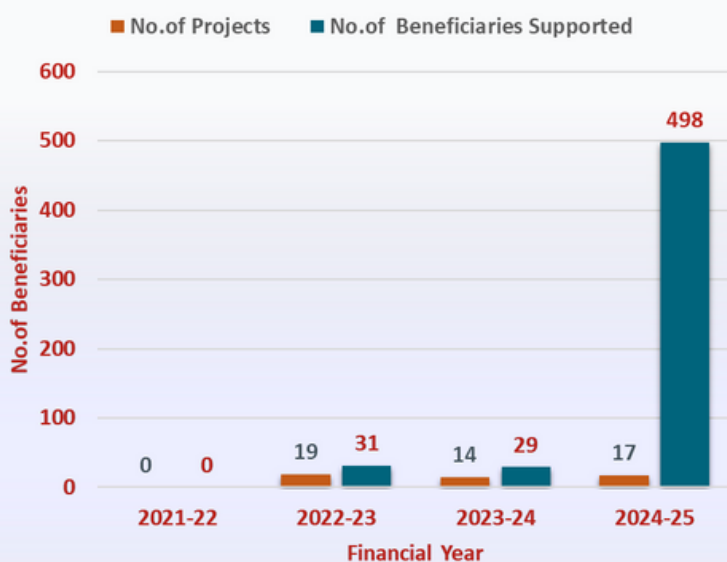
The livelihood program has supported around 61 women in total, twenty women as in-house piece rate workers, and forty-one candidates as outsourcing job workers. At present, we support 20 members in the livelihood program, out of which 12 are differently abled and 8 are normal. In the year 2024–2025, five variants of knife bags have been developed and are awaiting production orders. Additionally, garment orders have been undertaken for customers and guests of the foundation.



## Aids & Assistive Devices Projects

Zwilling Foundation India has supported 498 individuals with disabilities by providing essential assistive devices such as wheelchairs, walkers, tricycles, hearing aids, callipers, and more. In collaboration with Freedom Trust, in 2024-25, we organized medical camps to support individuals with disabilities. These camps included thorough assessments and the successful distribution of assistive devices, ensuring that beneficiaries received the appropriate support tailored to their needs. Foundation not just aided in the distribution program but we further assisted them with physiotherapy support till required mobility is achieved. The Foundation's efforts aim not only to aid in recovery but also to promote self-reliance and inclusivity, contributing to the creation of a more equitable society where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

### AIDS & ASSISTIVE DEVICES PROJECT



PROSTHETIC HAND DONATED TO 9YR ROHAN IN ASSOCIATION WITH SATYA ORTHOTICS



PROSTHETIC LIMBS DONATED TO BENFICIARIES IN A MEDICAL CAMP IN ASSOCIATION WITH FREEDOM TRUST



TRIAL CHECK FOR THE BENEFICIARIES IN THE MEDICAL CAMP

## Physiotherapy Sessions

Zwilling Foundation India has initiated dedicated physiotherapy sessions for individuals with mobility issues. In addition of home visits especially for patients and Godchildren who cannot visit the foundation has greatly increased the program's reach and impact. Around 20 beneficiaries, including children, adults, and the elderly, have experienced remarkable improvements in mobility and overall quality of life. With the dedicated support of Dr. Ahamed Ariff, consistent therapy was provided to everyone who sought help, ensuring no one was left behind. The ongoing care has brought visible and meaningful progress for all.



Physiotherapy  
Sessions by Dr.Ariff



*Bicycle provided to Levian  
as a extended support in  
Physiotherapy*

## United with JIPMER, Puducherry for a Greater Cause

Zwilling Foundation has extended vital support to outpatients referred by JIPMER, Puducherry, by providing wheelchairs to individuals recovering from spinal cord surgery. The social work team from JIPMER collaborated with Zwilling Foundation through a social meet they organized, where they reached out to seek support for deserving and underprivileged individuals. These mobility aids are essential for their safe return home and are a prerequisite for hospital discharge. By facilitating early mobility and essential rehabilitation, the Foundation has made a significant difference in helping patients regain their freedom, confidence, and a sense of normalcy.

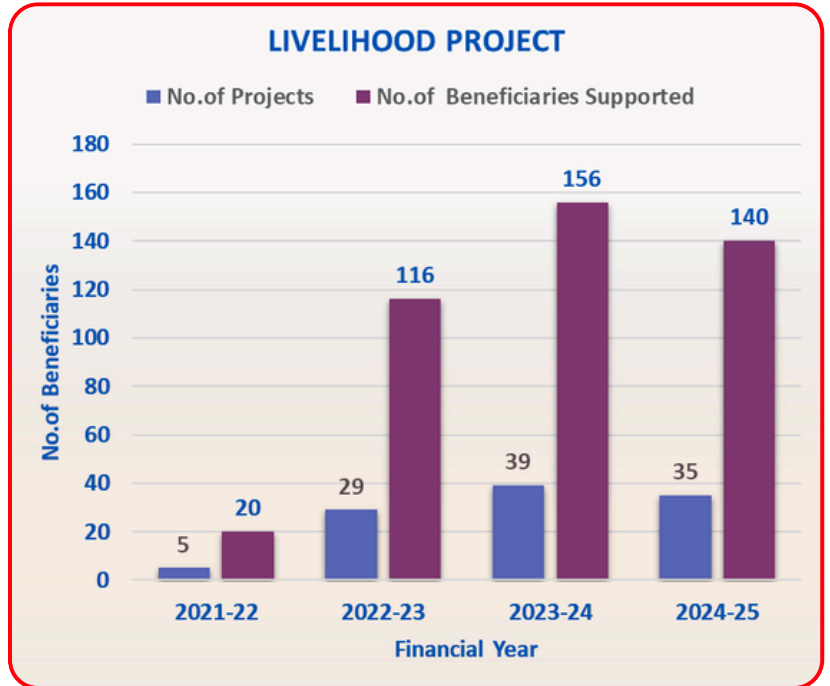
BALAMURUGAN PROVIDED WITH A WHEEL CHAIR IN MARCH 2025



DEVARAJ SUPPORTED WITH A WHEEL CHAIR IN AUGUST 2024

# Livelihood Projects

Zwilling Foundation India launched 35 livelihood projects across Puducherry and Tamil Nadu in 2024-2025, empowering around 140 individuals. These initiatives promote income generation and entrepreneurship, fostering self-reliance. Participants gained not only earning opportunities but also vital skills and confidence. The projects have improved quality of life and elevated socioeconomic status. Zwilling's efforts continue to drive sustainable change and economic resilience in the region.

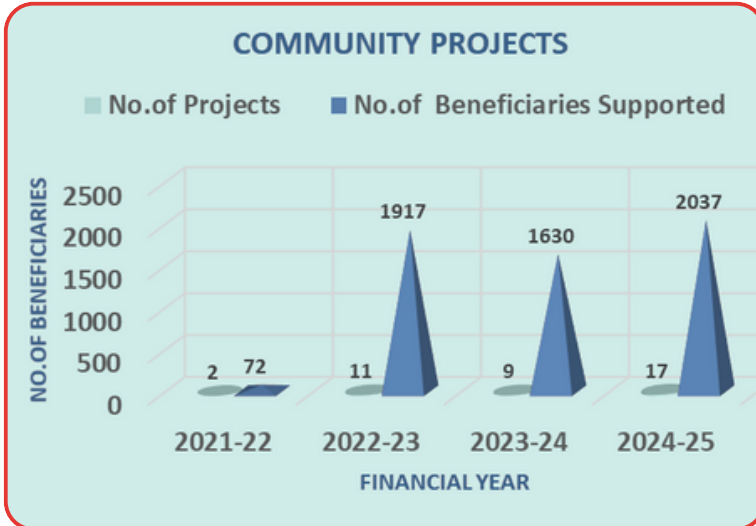


Hand Sewing Machine donated to Deivanai, Perumbakam, Tamilnadu

Groceries , Packaged materials donated to Venkatesan, for setting up the petty shop in Rayapudupakkam, Tamilnadu



# Community Projects



Zwilling Foundation India impacted 2,037 people through 17 community initiatives across villages and schools in Puducherry and Tamil Nadu. These efforts addressed critical needs through education, infrastructure, and essential services. A major focus this year was improving learning environments for school children. Access to clean drinking water was ensured in multiple schools. Essential amenities like fans, lights, and boards were installed to enhance classrooms. These initiatives fostered well-being and uplifted communities through sustainable, people-centered development.



*Donated Tubelights, fan to Government school, Periyababusamuthiram, Puducherry*

## Evening Tuition Center : Lighting the Path to Learning

On 1st July 2024, Zwilling Foundation India launched a free evening tuition center for government schoolchildren in Navarkulam. Hosted at Santha's School and coordinated by Mrs. Lalitha Annapoorna, the center began with five students. Teacher Ishwarya provided focused academic support to enhance student performance. The center ran successfully until November 2024, making a positive impact on learning outcomes. Despite its success, the initiative concluded due to low enrollment.



*A regular day of study in evening Tuition*



*Inauguration of the Evening Tuition Center*

## Empowering Young Minds: Counseling for Government School Students



In March 2025, a powerful counseling session equipped 50 Government school students with motivation, guidance, and stress management skills to face their board exams confidently.

## Fengal Cyclone Relief: Timely Support to Affected Families



The affected families patiently waited to receive their much-needed relief materials.

Zwilling Foundation India provided essential relief to nearby cyclone-affected Irular communities. Over 36 families received blankets, mosquito nets, and groceries, offering comfort and vital support during the crisis. More support will be rendered in the future for this community people.

### Relief Materials



## Empowering Lives Through Sports

Through its strong commitment to community development, the Zwilling Foundation has actively supported sports initiatives to inspire youth to pursue their dreams and reach greater heights. In 2024–2025, young athletes from the Rising Star Volleyball team from Nesal Village received essential equipment to enhance their volleyball training, empowering them to compete more effectively at the state and national levels. Additionally, the Foundation supported a Roller Skating Academy in Pondicherry by providing concrete benches around the skating rink, offering comfort to spectators and encouraging greater community involvement in the children's sporting activities.



Volleyball and fencing nets to Rising Star Volley ball team



Concrete Benches donated to Roller Skating Academy

## Open-Shelf Program: Sharing with Dignity

Launched in 2018, the Open-Shelf Program supports underprivileged individuals by collecting unused clothes, books, toys, utensils, and electronics. Neatly organized and accessible, the items are offered with dignity to those in need across nearby and remote villages. The initiative continues year-round, reaching both nearby and remote villages surrounding the foundation. To date, the initiative has benefited approximately 1,500 people.



## Extending Support to community Through Meaningful Collaborations

Zwilling Foundation has generously supported other organizations, including **Satya Special School** for the “Rama Katha Sangraham” program by intellectually challenged children, **Pennies 4 Pads** for distributing sanitary pads to promote girls' health and hygiene, **MEPZ, Chennai**, for organizing a medical camp to support workers' well-being and to **Deaf Enabled Foundation** to support their activities.



Through Pennies 4 Pads, Zwilling Foundation India has received sanitary napkins for the past three years, supporting the well-being of working women during their challenging days.



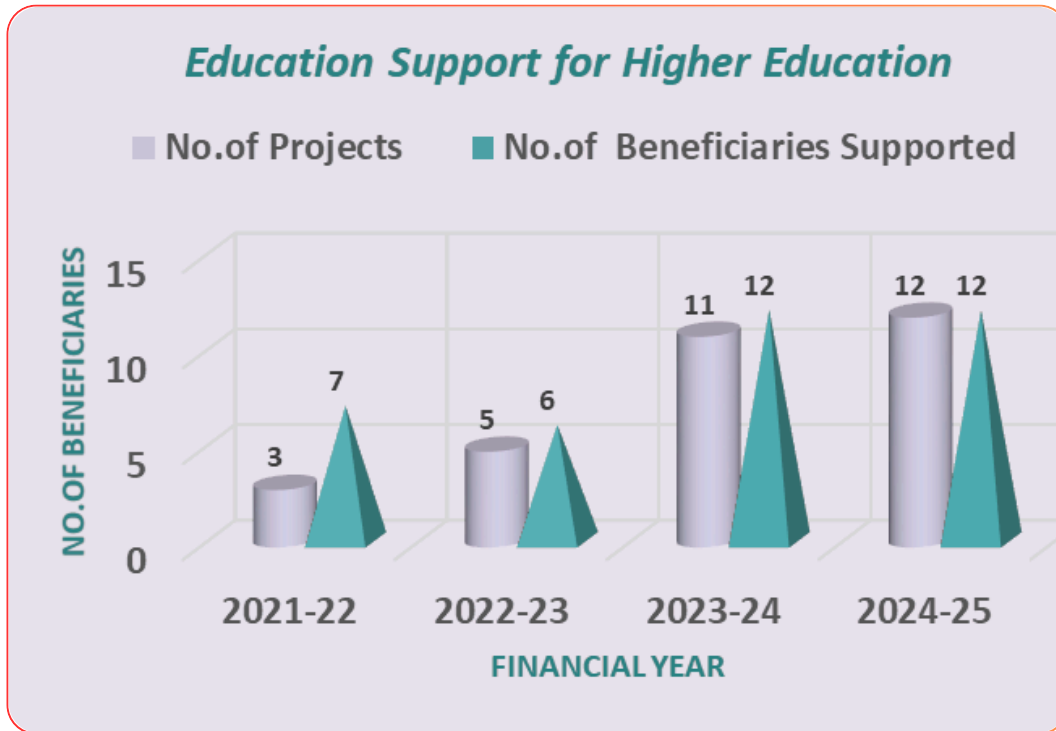
Zwilling Foundation supported MEPZ in organizing a medical camp for staff welfare, benefiting over 80 families through essential health check-ups and medical assistance.

Children with special needs presented a Ramayana-themed dance-drama at the JIPMER auditorium in Puducherry, organized by Satya Special School. Zwilling Foundation supported the project through partial sponsorship, contributing to its success.



## Education Support for Higher Education

In 2024–2025, Zwilling Foundation India sponsored the education of twelve students, supporting both school-going children and those aspiring to pursue higher education. Through this initiative, the foundation aimed to encourage continued learning and personal growth. These sponsorships play a vital role in the beneficiaries' academic progress and future career development, empowering them to build a brighter and more independent future.



## Walburga -Carl Albert Endowment Scheme



Since 2019, a total of 23 deserving beneficiaries have been supported through this heartfelt educational sponsorship initiative, continuing through to the year 2024–2025. This meaningful effort is made possible through the unwavering support of Dr. Erich Schiffers and his three sisters—Sabine Steinmeier, Dr. Carolin Quinkler, and Wally Brulz—who generously uphold the values and legacy of their beloved parents, Mrs. Walburga and Mr. Carl Albert.

Through this noble gesture, they have become a guiding light, helping shape a future where every child has the chance to dream, learn, and succeed. Their support has inspired other friends and Family to support for a cause. For this we are ever grateful to the Family.

## Sponsorship Highlights from 2019–2025

**2019–2020:** Higher education of six students from Satya School pursued vocational training at Swami Vivekananda Rural Community College and they were given placement in various sectors as per their course.

**2020–2021:** Four government school students were selected through a merit-based test and awarded cash prizes.

**2021–2022:** Education was sponsored for five intellectually challenged boys from Sristi Village and they pursued Vocational Training in Swami Vivekananda Rural Community College and got placed in Hotels as Housekeeping staff.

**2022–2023:** Four diverse requests were supported based on individual needs across different project categories.

**2023–2024:** Two students were supported for a NEET crash course.

**2024–2025:** This year for the sixth consecutive time two key educational initiatives were undertaken. **Tharun**, an 18-year-old dedicated student who survived with his mother, who is a single parent and pursuing Veterinary Science at the Government College of Puducherry, received partial support to continue his education until graduation. **Godchild Ranjan** was provided with additional financial assistance to complete his 12th standard.



*Dr. Erich Schiffers with Tharun and his mother*



*Dr. Erich Schiffers with Godchild Ranjan*

## Community Projects Supported by Mr. Rui Santos

Zwilling Foundation India extends its deepest gratitude to Mr. Rui Santos and his family for his generous donation, his second remarkable contribution, to support our community initiatives. His unwavering support has empowered the foundation to implement 8 impactful projects, reaching and uplifting the lives of nearly 4,000 individuals in and around the surrounding communities. From improved access to essential services to meaningful enhancements in education, health, and daily living conditions, Mr. Rui Santos's kindness has created lasting change and hope for many. With heartfelt appreciation, we thank him for believing in our mission and standing beside us in our journey to build a more inclusive and compassionate society.



The eight projects implemented under Rui Santos' donation are

- Clean water through Borewell, Kuthiriponnimedu, village Tamilnadu.
- School Renovation, Rayapudupakkam, village Tamilnadu.
- Borewell deepening and Toilet construction in Ozundhiyapattu Village, Tamilnadu
- School Benches to Government Primary School, Navarkulam, Puducherry.
- RO Drinking Water System in Mathias School, Puducherry.
- Dining Shed with Steel Sheet Roof in Government Primary School, Kakayanthopu, Puducherry
- Rennovation of Vanur Anganwadi, Tamilnadu.
- Commercial RO System , Katrampakkam Village, Tamilnadu

## *The Impact of Clean Water in Kuthiraiponnmedu Village*

For years, the people of Kuthiraiponni village endured the daily hardship of walking 2 to 3 kilometers just to fetch a small amount of water. Women, in particular, bore the burden—making long, exhausting trips under the scorching sun, often only to return with barely enough water for their families. Moved by their struggle, Zwilling Foundation India prioritized their plea as the first project under the generous donation from Mr. Rui Santos. In response, a 450-foot borewell was drilled, a motor installed, and a large storage tank set up, bringing clean, accessible water right into the heart of the village.

*Stage 1: Borewell drilling to 450 feet*



*Stage 2: Motor Installation & Storage tank Basement Construction*



*Stage 3: Storage Tank Installation*



*Inauguration during Erich Sir Visit*

This timely intervention has transformed lives of around 810 people. What was once a distant, difficult task has now become a simple, dignified part of daily life. The people of Kuthiraiponni no longer walk miles for water—they now walk with pride and relief. The community has expressed deep gratitude for the swift and meaningful response to their request, and the project stands as a shining example of what compassion, action, and unity can achieve.

### ***School Renovation, Rayapudupakkam for a Reserved Community***

In response to an urgent request from the school authorities of a reserved community, we stepped in to repair and renovate a school that had long been neglected. The school, serving over 100 children with no alternative institutions nearby, lacked the most basic facilities. Understanding the critical need, the foundation undertook the construction of a functional toilet block, a proper access pathway, a drainage sump for sanitation, and the plastering of damaged classroom roofs to ensure safety and comfort. This renovation is the belief that every child, regardless of background, deserves a safe and supportive space to pursue education.



### ***Essential Interventions for Health & Hygiene in Ozhindhiyapattu Village***

Recognizing access to clean water as a fundamental need, we undertook a project to deepen the existing borewell in Ozhindhiyapattu village, ensuring a reliable water supply for the community to support 200 people. Additionally, a toilet was constructed for a most deserving resident, restoring dignity and promoting hygiene. These efforts have brought essential change to daily living, improving both health and quality of life.



### ***Dining Shed with Steel Sheet Roof - Kakayanthope Government Primary School***

The children of Government Primary School, Kakayanthope, used to have their midday meals under a tree, where birds would litter, and dust surrounded their dining space. Seeing their discomfort, we responded to their heartfelt request and donated a dining shed with a sturdy steel roof. Now, the 110 children in the school can enjoy their meals happily, in a clean and safe space, without any nuisances. Their smiles and joy make this contribution truly meaningful!



### ***Better Learning Environment in Government Primary School, Navarkulam***

Zwilling Foundation India donated school benches to the Government Primary School in Navarkulam, where children had been sitting on the floor due to lack of basic classroom furniture. This support has provided a more comfortable and conducive learning environment, helping students focus better and engage more actively in their education.



### ***Drinking Water System in Mathias Government School, Puducherry***

To address the lack of safe drinking water during the school hours, a new RO water system at Mathias Government High School has been installed. This vital initiative has ensured access to clean and safe drinking water for nearly 250 students and teachers, promoting better health and well-being within the school community.



### ***RO Drinking Water System to Katrampakam Village , Tamilnadu***

In response to the urgent appeal from the reserved community in Katrampakkam, a remote village in Tamil Nadu, the Zwilling Foundation has taken a vital step by implementing a drinking water system. This intervention addresses the community's long-standing struggle for access to clean and safe water. With the new system in place, approximately 1800 people no longer rely on unsafe sources. The project has not only fulfilled a basic human need but has also restored hope to a marginalized population, ensuring a more equitable future.



## *Repair and childrens Play Area, Vanur Anganwadi, Tamilnadu*

The Vanur Anganwadi, previously operating from an old building, has been beautifully renovated and repaired, complete with a new play area for the children. The transformation has brought immense joy to the children and the village community. It's heartwarming to see the little ones excited and happy to attend their playschool every day. This meaningful upgrade stands as a proud and joyful milestone for everyone involved. This heartfelt project is bringing lasting joy and impact to the Vanur Anganwadi community of 240 people.





### **Welcoming Dr. Alexander Gulden: A New Chapter of Growth and Guidance**

In 2024-2025, we were honored to welcome Dr. Alexander Gulden to our team in June 2024. He visited the Zwilling Foundation along with Dr. Erich Schiffers and showed deep interest in understanding the Foundation's mission and ongoing activities. Dr. Gulden received a comprehensive orientation from our Managing Trustee, Mr. Sambasiva Rao, and engaged with all team members during his visit. We are truly excited about the valuable guidance and support he brings and look forward to expanding and strengthening the Foundation's initiatives under his leadership.

### **Visitors:**

Guests Dr. Marc Cremer and his wife accompanied Dr. Erich Schiffers in November 2024 and joined in the Christmas celebration.



## Success Stories : Milestones of Progress



### Agilarasan's Journey from Tragedy to Triumph

Agilarasan, a 29-year-old mechanical engineering graduate, had dreams as strong as the machines he once studied. Life was on a steady course until a tragic accident turned everything upside down. The accident left him 70% locomotor disabled and cost him to lose vision in his left eye.

For many, such a life-altering event could break their spirit, but not Agilarasan. Instead of dwelling in despair, he chose to rise above his challenges. With unwavering support from his father, Agilarasan decided to start anew by opening a petty shop, a modest but powerful step toward independence.

Determined to make it work, Agilarasan received essential materials and resources to efficiently run his shop. He transformed this humble venture into a beacon of hope, proving that disabilities do not define a person's ability to succeed. Agilarasan's story reminds us all that strength isn't just about physical ability, it's about the heart to keep going, no matter the odds.

### Kaviya: From Hope to Empowerment



In April 2024, a determined 16-year-old girl named Kaviya arrived at Zwilling Foundation India, accompanied by four other girls from Swami Vivekananda Rural Community College, to begin her internship. Coming from a background with limited resources and opportunities, With unwavering dedication, she completed her training at the foundation, mastering the skills needed to produce Zwilling products. Her commitment and hard work quickly stood out, and she soon began contributing actively to the foundation's production line. Today, Kaviya earns a steady income, proudly supporting her family and becoming a beacon of inspiration to other young girls in similar circumstances. Her journey from uncertainty to independence is a testament to the power of opportunity, support, and personal determination. Kaviya's story is not just one of individual success—it is a celebration of resilience, empowerment, and the life-changing impact of giving someone a chance to shine.

## Success Stories contd..



Aruna, a resilient 17-year-old girl, comes from one of the most challenging environments imaginable—a community without electricity, proper shelter, or basic living conditions. Raised by a single mother and sharing her small open place with an intellectually challenged sister, Aruna faced hardships that would discourage many. But she chose a different path.

With partial support from Zwilling Foundation India and unwavering determination, Aruna pursued her B.Sc. in Biochemistry. While many students struggle even in comfortable settings, Aruna stood out by completing her degree without a single arrear, studying under the dim glow of kerosene lamps and battling every obstacle that came her way.

Her journey is not just a story of academic achievement—it's a powerful testament to strength, perseverance, and hope. Aruna has become an inspiration to every young person who dares to dream beyond their circumstances. She reminds us that no matter where you come from, with courage and support, you can rise and shine.

### Sengeni – Defying Age, Defining Strength

At 67 years young, Sengeni is living proof that age is just a number. When she first approached Zwilling Foundation India, she was hesitant to ask for a job—but what followed was nothing short of inspiring.

Full of energy, dedication, and an unmatched work ethic, Sengeni quickly became an integral part of the foundation's daily activities, taking on every task with enthusiasm—except stitching, which she modestly leaves to others. Her precision, punctuality, and unwavering focus set a powerful example for everyone around her. In fact, she is often the highest-paid among her peers for her exceptional contributions.

Sengeni's journey is a beautiful reminder that passion and determination know no age limit. From quiet hesitation to becoming a role model within the foundation, she has earned not just respect, but admiration. Her story inspires us all to stay active, chase purpose, and believe that it's never too late to shine.



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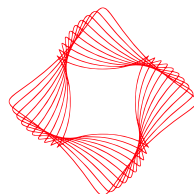
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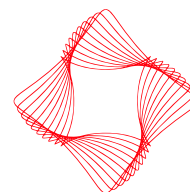
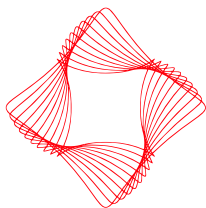
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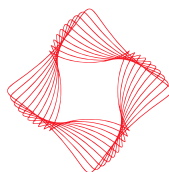
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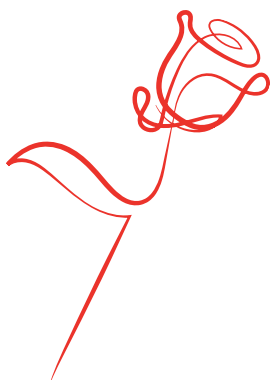
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