



**School For Holistic  
Development  
& Vocational Skills For  
Special Needs**



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**2024 - 2025**





## Festive Season Preparations:

The festive season is upon us, and our vocational skills unit is working hard to create colorful and exciting products for Deepavali.



## Teachers' Day Celebrations:

On 5th September, Chiranthana celebrated Teachers' Day. Rachana organized an entertaining program with fun games and activities. Our students delighted the teachers with some amazing performances.



## New Initiative at the Vocational Skills Unit:

Chiranthana, in collaboration with Calidex, has launched a new training program in fabric flower-making for adults with special needs. Students who excel in this training will have the opportunity to earn an income through their skills.

## Student of the month anushka:

We are so proud of Anushka, a non-verbal child, for her amazing progress in our vocational skills unit! She's excelling in embroidery, block printing, and flower-making, and is now confidently using visual tools to communicate with her teachers. **Keep shining, Anushka.**



## **Rachana Prasad**

**Founder, Managing Trustee - Chiranthana**

The year 2024–25 has been one of creative pursuits, bold steps, and heartening stories at Chiranthana. As we reflect on our journey this past year, we are reminded of the boundless potential that unfolds when empathy, inclusion, and imagination come together.

A key highlight of this year has been the launch of Touring Talkies—a vibrant initiative where individuals with special needs are trained in theatre arts and storytelling. These passionate troupes have been traveling across Karnataka, performing timeless Panchatantra tales and engaging audiences in important conversations on inclusion and diversity in the workplace. Through theatre, they are not only showcasing their talents but also challenging perceptions, sparking dialogue, and building bridges.

We also took a leap into the digital world by introducing coding classes, offering our learners a new language of creativity and problem-solving. Seeing their confidence grow as they navigate logic and build projects has been a testament to their resilience and curiosity.

Another significant step this year was opening our new center in Kadaba Hobli, Gubbi Taluk. This expansion brings us closer to rural communities, ensuring that support and learning are within reach for more individuals and families.

Each initiative, each performance, and each line of code reaffirms our belief that when given the right environment, every individual can shine. We are deeply grateful to our students, families, staff, and supporters for being part of this journey.

With warmth and hope,  
**Rachana**  
Founder, Chiranthana



## Exciting news for Chiranthana:

Bharti Airtel Foundation confers awards every year for the best corporates doing exemplary work with NGOs nation wide under various categories, through it's CSR funds. Ribbon communications, our CSR partner, for the last 3 years has been nominating Chiranthana for these awards. Fortunately, this year, we have stood first in the Social Change Maker Rehabilitation and Skilling category.

## Annual Day preparations:

Undefined 2024-the annual event is being organised by Chiranthana on 14th Dec at Alliance Francaise. Please block the dates everyone.



## Exhibitions:

On 15 Nov, Chiranthana participated in an inclusion drive at Dr. Ambedkar Bhavan, Bengaluru, organized by Trane Technologies & 18 Not Out to support handmade products by individuals with special needs.

On 22 Nov, at FKCCI's International Women's Entrepreneurship Day, Chiranthana showcased its Aase line at Sir M.V. Auditorium and saw encouraging sales.

## Chiranthana x Hash hack Code:

Chiranthana, in collaboration with Hash Hack Code, is empowering children with special needs through inclusive coding classes! From early logic to creative coding, the program supports all age groups and abilities. Kudos to Team Chiranthana



## Chiranthana Presents "Undefined 2024" A Grand Celebration

Chiranthana, a center for holistic development and vocational skills for individuals with special needs, proudly hosted "Undefined 2024" on December 14th at Alliance Française, Bengaluru. The event was a huge success, graced by special guests Ms. Pooja Gandhi, acclaimed actress; Mr. Sudheesh Venkatesh, communications leader; and Ms. Shrikamala, celebrated entrepreneur. Our talented students captivated the audience with a grand musical inspired by the timeless Panchatantra Tales. The evening beautifully showcased creativity and inclusivity.

### Exciting Collaboration Announced at "Undefined 2024"

We are thrilled to announce that Luvia Bakery has collaborated with Chiranthana to prepare pre-mix packaging for muffins, cakes, brownies, and more. As part of this partnership, our students will soon be trained in packaging and preparing cookies and muffins, equipping them with valuable skills for future opportunities. This initiative marks another step toward fostering creativity, independence, and inclusivity.

### Exciting Updates from Chiranthana

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our new branch at Kadaba! This expansion is a step forward in our mission to provide quality education and support for children with special needs. The new branch will feature state-of-the-art facilities, expert staff, and tailored programs to ensure holistic development for every child.

Stay tuned for more updates and join us in celebrating this milestone!



## New Branch Open:

The success of a truly remarkable milestone—the grand inauguration of our new center! This event was not just a celebration of growth but a testament to our dedication, vision, and commitment to providing a nurturing space for learning, creativity, and excellence.



## Kalangana Participation:

We are incredibly proud to have participated in the prestigious Kalangana event, which provided a wonderful platform for our children to showcase their talents. This event was not just a performance opportunity but a journey of growth, confidence, and self-expression.



### **Students Learned Basic Cooking:**

Students learned basic cooking skills, including meal prep, ingredient selection, and the importance of a balanced diet. They actively took part in chopping, mixing, and cooking simple, healthy dishes while also gaining insights into hygiene, reducing food waste, and smart grocery planning. The session boosted their confidence and teamwork as they enjoyed the joy of cooking their own meals.

### **Block Printing:**

Successfully completing a client order is always a moment of pride and fulfillment. It represents not just the hard work, dedication, and attention to detail that went into the process, but also the trust and confidence our clients place in us.

### **Life Skills:**

As part of our commitment to hands-on learning, our students recently participated in a Life Skills Practical on Exploring the Market-an enriching experience that combined education with real-world exposure. This activity was designed to enhance their practical knowledge of buying, budgeting, decision-making, and communication skills.

### **Baking Skills:**

Baking is more than just mixing ingredients-it's a science of precision and balance! We recently introduced our students to the fundamental concepts of baking and measurement, helping them understand the importance of accuracy in creating perfect baked goods.

## Stem Activities Conducted at Gubbi Center with Visual Cues.



**Master the Art of Cooking -  
A Skill for Life.**



**Hands-On Creating New  
Block Printing Design.**



**PowerPoint Fun Kids Turn Ideas into Creative  
Slideshows on womens day.**



## Exciting Updates and Achievements

### Independence Day Celebrations:

**August 10:** Chiranthana Bengurs odebeated Independence Day at EMV Cish. The event was a recunding succes with enthusiastic participation from the children. Many guests attended and pesised the children's performances and their efforts. Rachara also used the occasion to advocate for greater inclusion and better facilities for children with special needs. The guests for the day wars Mr. Veerendra Kamat CEO Kamat Horaruchi and Mr. Basarvaraj, Rand Election commissioner of Kamataka, Rotary Salgamaya Promident Mrs. Tejashree and other Rotary members also graced the occasion.

**August 19:** Chiranthana Gabhi celebrated Independence Day at Sitr Shakthe Bhavana. This wrent was organised in association with Lions cich. The children with special needs performed to patriotic songs.

**August 23<sup>rd</sup>:** An inclusive Independence Day event was held at Bal Bhavan, organized by 18 Not Out. Our students excelled in the cultural events, winning a trophy for Best Group Dance, and Asmi received the prize for Best Solo Dance.

### Workshops and Sessions:

**August 1<sup>st</sup>:** Chiranthan students and teachers participated in a theatrical performance of the epic Ramayana at Kalagrama. This event was organized by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations in collaboration with the Department of Karnada and Culture, Government of Karnataka, and Bengaluru University.



## Exhibitions Galore this Month!

October has been bustling with activity as Chiranthana showcased its handmade product line, Aase, at various corporate locations in celebration of the Dasara-Diwali season. Here's a quick look at our exhibition tour.



October 4 - Awake



October 17 - Biocon



October 21 - HSBC Whitefield



October 22  
HSBC M.G. Road and Biocon Park



October 23-24  
Disney Hotstar Corporate Office



October 29 - Element 14



## Ayudha Pooja at Chiranthana - October 10<sup>th</sup>

Chiranthana celebrated Ayudha Pooja with great enthusiasm! Children in colorful outfits, and festive pooja was conducted to bring health, wealth, and prosperity to all. Teachers and students enjoyed the celebrations with a lively Dandia dance, filling the day with joy and festivity.

### Diwali Sale - October 26th

Diwali sale at Chiranthana was a full-day event featuring vibrant diyas, exotic candles, and our sustainable handmade products. The turnout was fantastic, and we appreciate everyone who visited and supported the initiative.



# OUR TEACHER TESTIMONIAL ON SCHOOL



## Raksha Bhanuprakash

Special Educator at Chiranthana

I am Raksha Bhanuprakash, a Special Educator at Chiranthana. What brings me here every day is the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of my students. Seeing them overcome challenges, learn, and thrive despite the odds—developing new skills and growing in confidence—is incredibly rewarding. Every small achievement, every smile, and every breakthrough fuels my passion.

It's fulfilling to tailor lessons to individual needs and to foster a supportive community where students feel valued and empowered. The bonds I've built with my students and their families, along with the supportive school environment, motivate me to provide the best possible education and care. My students' joy and resilience inspire me to come to school each day, eager to make a positive impact in their lives.

Our principal, Mrs. Rachana Prasad, is a beacon of support and inspiration. Her open-door policy and empathetic leadership make every staff member feel valued and heard. By encouraging innovative teaching methods and providing essential resources, she empowers us to deliver exceptional education. Her dedication and guidance have cultivated a positive, inclusive atmosphere—one in which our students can truly thrive and reach their full potential.





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## ABOUT CHIRANTHANA:

Chiranthana is a not-for-profit organisation working with people with special needs. We work with people with Autism Spectrum Disorder, Cerebral Palsy, Down Syndrome and other learning disabilities.

We have already engaged a lot of people with disabilities in creating handicraft products. Chiranthana is working in the segment of intellectual disabilities. We are currently working with children and adolescents with special needs. Chiranthana is working with special needs people with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Downs Syndrome, Dyslexia, locomotor disabilities communication disorders.

# A BIG MILESTONE AS CODING CLASSES

## KICK OFF AT CHIRANTHANA

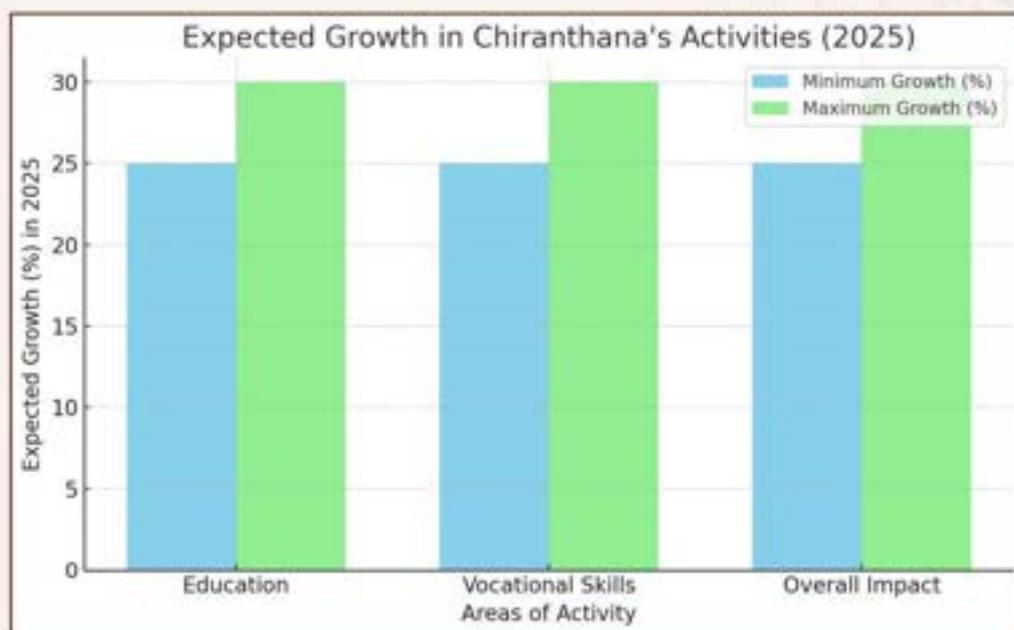


### Coding for a brighter tomorrow

At Chiranthana School for Special Education, we believe every child has the potential to create, build, and innovate! That's why our coding classes are designed to unlock logical thinking, boost creativity, and build confidence. With the help of accessible tools and supportive mentors, our students are learning to write code, solve real-world problems, and explore the exciting world of technology. From simple animations to interactive stories, they're not just learning to code—they're coding to learn! Let's empower young minds with the skills of the future—because every child deserves the chance to thrive in a digital world.

# IMPACT REPORT

In 2024-25, Chiranthana is set to achieve remarkable growth of 25% to 30% across all its core areas—from education to vocational skills. This positive trend highlights the impactful and inclusive efforts made to empower and uplift every learner. The continuous development reflects our commitment to holistic learning and skill-building for a better tomorrow.



## BIG THANKS TO OUR DONORS



## Testimonial for Donor



**Navin Honnavar**

Global Director - APAC Marketing and Creative Services

We at **Element14** are proud to have supported Chiranthana for over three years in their mission to uplift children with special needs. Their transparency, dedication, and impactful work have been truly inspiring. Regular updates and success stories affirm our partnership. We wholeheartedly endorse Chiranthana as a trustworthy and impactful organisation, and we encourage others to support their noble cause.



# Parents Testimonials

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Thank you for a truly educational and insightful session on sensory integration and vestibular functions in children with autism. It helped us understand the challenges our children face and how we can support their growth with care and empathy. The STEM lab activities were fun and engaging, and the parent-teacher interaction was heartwarming. Grateful for the delicious lunch and for the dedicated efforts of the entire team—Rachana, Bindiya, Pavana, Geeta Ma'am, Arpitha, Raksha, Chaitra, Yoga Sir, Sridhar Sir, and all the lovely parents.

**Geetha**



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I have made the right decision by enrolling my son in Chiranthana School. They are the best in every way. The teachers and staff are so cooperative and supportive of our kids. This school understands our children so well—they know how to nurture them into the best version of themselves. Thank you!

**Dharani Rao**



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## GROWTH IS CONTINUOUS

### What's new at Chiranthana?

Inauguration of Third centre at Tumkur Chiranthana opened its third centre at Tumkur on 28/03/2024. Dr.Ashok- Consultant Pediatrics and Neonatologist, Madilu Childrens hospital was the Chief guest for the occasion . He applauded the efforts of Chiranthana at creating opportunities for children with special needs. The inauguration ceremony was well attended by Chiranthana staff and the parent community.

Chiranthana started its first centre at Bengaluru in the year 2019 with a School for holistic development and Vocational Skills , in the year 2020 we expanded our operations to make an impact in the rural areas of Gubbi and today more than 300 students are benefitting out of the school readiness program at Gubbi. This year through this third centre at Tumkur we intends to provide schooling program to special children.

### Gearing up for NIOS exams:

As the academic year comes to the end, Students atChiranthana are taking up Nios Secondary and Senior Secondary exams. They have worked all year and its time to gear up for the exams. Prutha, Vishruth, Shreyas, Kavinolli and Joel , we wish them all the best.



## NEW ACADEMIC YEAR, NEW CHALLENGES



### Kamat Group Hospitality Training Programme

We at Chiranthana are excited for our trainees who after having completed the training programme at Chiranthana are undergoing their internship at Kamat Hosaruchi at Orion Mall this month. The trainees have undergone extensive training on managing the orders from the customers and also serving food to customers.

### International Yoga Day

21st June 2024 - This International Yoga Day, students at Chiranthana enthusiastically participated in a yoga session led by our Yoga teacher Mr.Nagbhushan Rao. Yoga for Children with special needs helps bring tremendous improvement in their basic motor skills, and helps them develop greater balance and control in their day-to-day activities.





## What's new at Chiranthana?

We welcomed all the students at Chiranthana this academic year with lots of fun activities and games. The students had a great time and were happy and enthusiastic to come back to school.

## Teacher training session at Chiranthana

At Chiranthana, we believe in learning from and appreciating our team. Teachers from Gubbi and Tumkur — Srinivas, Shruthi, and Bhumika — visited our Bengaluru Head Office for a training session. It was an enriching experience, helping align teaching methods across centres to ensure quality education for every student.





## Exciting news at Chiranthana

Inauguration of our new center at Hosahalli cluster in Gubbi Taluka on July 15. This centre is being run in association with Elements 14. Rachana Prasad – our Managing Trustee distributed wheelchairs for 20 needy children at Hosahalli Samudaya Bhavana. On July 30 we started our operations at Cheluru – Grama Panchayati Granthalaya. It is an effort to serve and extend support to more children with special needs from the surrounding areas.

### Stem lab training

Chiranthana, in association with Stemlabs, organized a 3-day experiential learning workshop at the Bengaluru centre. Conducted by Pavana from Stemlabs, the training focused on a "build, play, and learn" approach to help students explore and understand concepts.

