

A walk through Nanhi Kali's 2022



In this newsletter, we look at the events of the last financial year. The year was truly fulfilling and rewarding – from the Tata Mumbai Marathon to the Toofaan Games to the return of our annual charity event, Proud Fathers For Daughters. We stuck true to our vision to create a more equal world for girls. None of this would have been possible without the continued support of our patrons.

This newsletter is a testimony to what the Nanhi Kalis are capable of, and what we can do for them as a conscious collective. We look forward to this year, and hope that we can continue to positively impact more girls and build brighter futures.



Project Nanhi Kali, jointly managed by K.C. Mahindra Education Trust and Naandi Foundation, supports underprivileged girls enrolled in government schools from Class 1 to Class 10 and helps them complete their schooling.

Every Nanhi Kali receives daily afterschool academic support including access to an AI powered personalized, adaptive learning platform via digital tablets. This AI platform assesses the learning level of each girl and matches instructions to her level, ensuring that she learns with understanding. To help the girls attend school with dignity, a school supplies kit including a school bag, stationery, pullover, raincoat, and feminine hygiene material is given to every girl once a year. Further, a professionally designed sports curriculum is integrated into the programme to promote holistic development.

The project's strength lies in its all-woman team of 'Community Associates', who are recruited from local communities and trained to become learning facilitators and mentors to the girls. They also engage with parents and community stakeholders to create conducive, girl-friendly ecosystems.



TRACING THE FOOTPRINT

For the year 2022-2023

GIRLS SUPPORTED
2,17,949

Girls supported through after-school programme

1,86,041

Girls trained in digital skills/life skills

31,908

Community Associates

6,359

Academic Support Centres

7,674

Yellow Tablets

1,09,986

Number of States

10

550,000+ girls supported across 15 states in India since Nanhi Kali's inception in 1996.

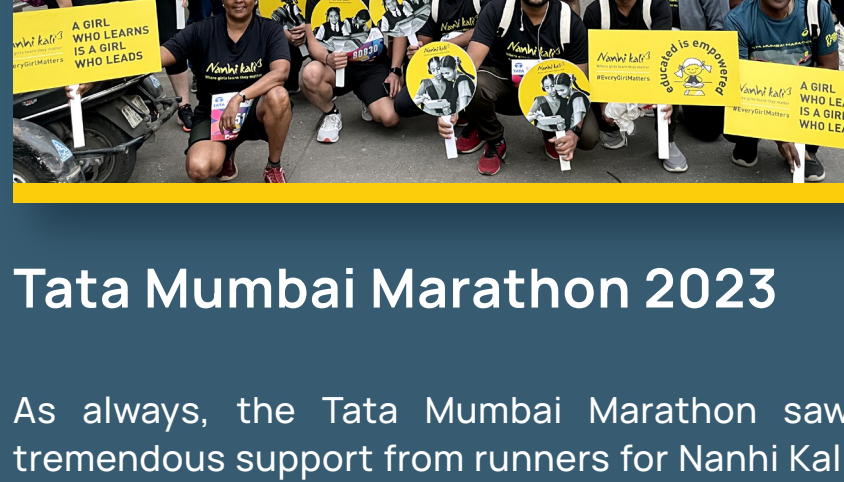


HIGHLIGHTS



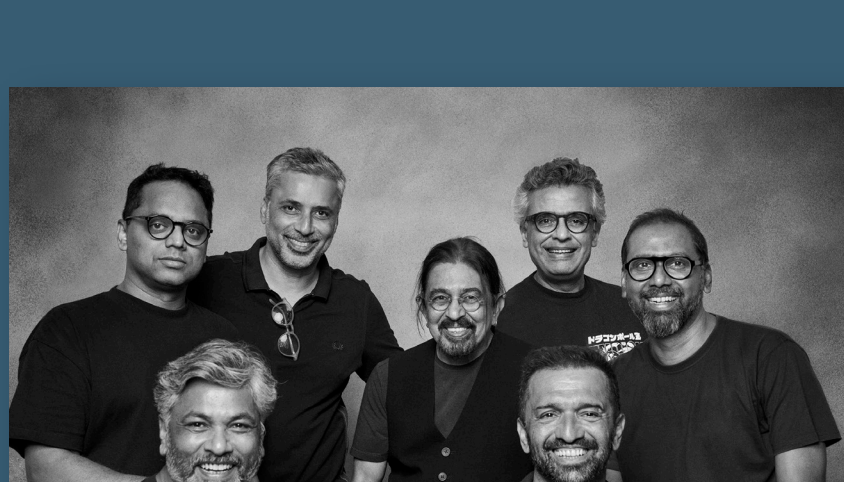
Digital and Life Skills Training Programmes

The programmes aimed at empowering disadvantaged girls between the ages 16-19. It helped open doors to high quality soft skills training, boosting their confidence, and encouraging them to build a strong foundation for their future educational or professional pursuits. Implemented in Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu, the programmes supported 31,908 girls.



Tata Mumbai Marathon 2023

As always, the Tata Mumbai Marathon saw tremendous support from runners for Nanhi Kali this year. The Mahindra Group along with other corporate teams, including Titan Company Limited and Incred Finance, ran in support of the project through the Corporate Team Challenge. Further, numerous individual runners also championed the cause of girls' education at the marathon helping Nanhi Kali support over 200 girls.



Proud Fathers For Daughters

Nanhi Kali returned with the seventh season of Proud Fathers For Daughters after two challenging years of the COVID-19 pandemic. The annual charity event was hosted over the weekend of 12th and 13th November 2022, at The World Trade Centre in Mumbai. Proud Fathers For Daughters aims to change mindsets and prejudices against the girl child. This event features India's renowned celebrity photographers, who capture the special bond between a father and a daughter.

The seventh season saw leading photographers – Atul Kasbekar, Colston Julian, Prasad Naik, Rafique Sayed, Jaideep Oberoi, Tarun Vishwa and Tejal Patni – volunteering their time and talent to the cause. The event raised funds to support the education of 358 Nanhi Kalis. The Joint Commissioner of Mumbai Police Vishwas Nangre Patil, Suneil Shetty, Vidya Balan, Abhishek Bachchan, Esha Gupta, Mrunal Thakur, Pooja Hegde, and Boney Kapoor and sportsmen Suresh Raina and Mahesh Bhupathi were among those who lent their support to the event.



Toofaan Games 2023

Toofaan Games were introduced to motivate the girls to participate in sports to improve their strength and stamina. This year marked the third season of the Toofaan Games – an event with three levels: village, district and national. At the village level, all primary and secondary level Nanhi Kalis across the country participated. The top performing athletes from the village level games went on to compete at the district level games.

1,962 secondary school girls participated at the district level events where they were divided into two groups, Hima Group 11-12 years and Swapna Group 13-15 years, with each group being named after successful Indian women athletes. At every location, 60 Nanhi Kalis participated in 50-meter sprint, standing long jump, shuttle run, and endurance run. The Toofaan Games finals took place on 24th and 25th January 2023 in Mumbai, bringing together 129 girls from across 19 districts of India.

STORIES FROM THE FIELD

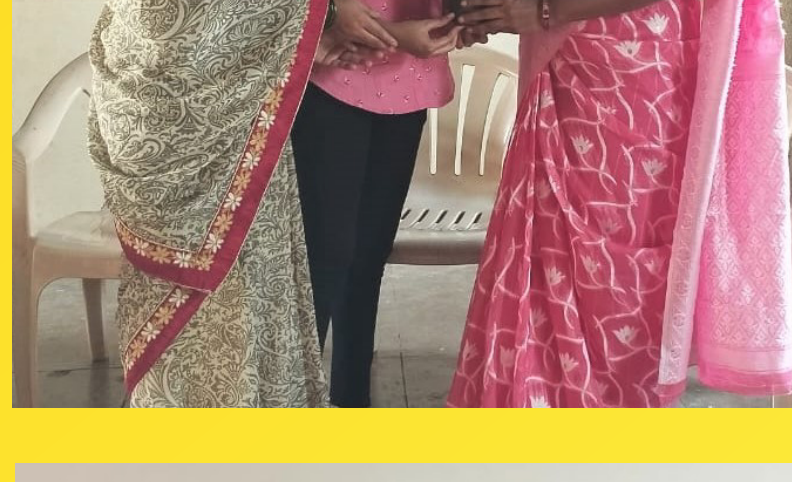
Shrija Mahadev Jagdale
Pune, Maharashtra

Turning dreams to reality through hard work and determination

Shrija, from Chakan in Pune, Maharashtra, was enrolled in Project Nanhi Kali 10 years ago. Her father works as a machine operator while her mother is a home maker. As a Nanhi Kali student, Shrija aspired to become a doctor and participated enthusiastically in all extracurricular activities. Despite hailing from an underprivileged family with minimal resources, she ranked 21st at the district level in a Class 7 scholarship exam with support from the project.

Undeterred, Shrija continued to excel in her studies and ranked second in school after scoring 95.20% in the Class 10 board exam in 2018. She then secured the third rank in her junior college in Baramati, Pune, after scoring 90.32% in Class 12. After clearing the competitive exams required to study medicine in her second attempt, she was accepted at the Government Medical College in Aurangabad as an MBBS student.

Shrija's journey from a Nanhi Kali student to a medical student is a powerful testament to the fact that with perseverance, hard work, and the right support, dreams can come true, and lives can be transformed. For Shrija, this is just the beginning, as she plans to pursue an MD degree once she completes her MBBS studies.

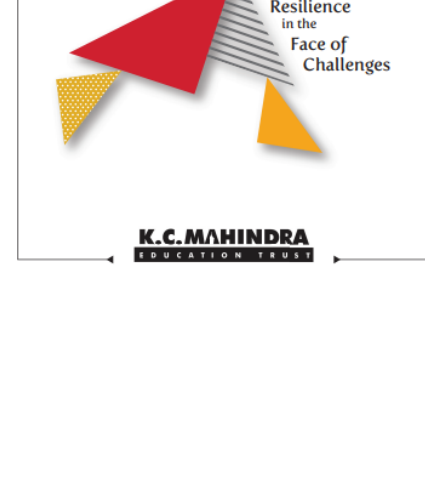


OTHER NEWS

Annual Report 2020-2022

The last two financial years ensured we acknowledged the strength of collective action. Together with our corporate and individual donors, we stepped up quickly and delivered concrete support where it was needed. The 2020-2022 K. C. Mahindra Education Trust (KCMET) Annual Report showcases our resilience to drive meaningful impact in all our projects. The report reflects upon the core values that define KCMET's work, celebrates inspiring stories, and recognizes partnerships that stood the test of time. We invite you to take a look at the 2020-2022 KCMET Annual Report and hope that you continue walking with us to drive sustainable change in the lives of many more.

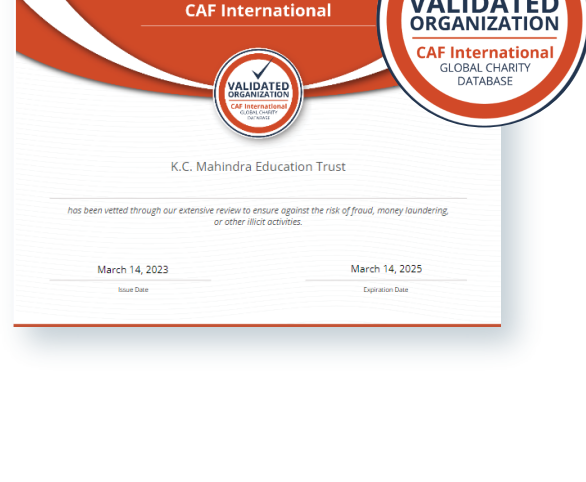
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