



# Monthly Newsletter

March 2026

Transforming lives of communities through  
Education, Environment and Empowerment initiatives

# Overview

March 2026 concluded on a prestigious note as **FICCI FLO Vadodara honored Cosmo Foundation with an award**, recognizing its excellence, influence, and meaningful impact across communities. This distinction served as a powerful capstone to the financial year, validating our mission to bridge the gap between social potential and tangible progress across Gujarat and Maharashtra.



The month maintained a rigorous focus on measuring impact, with **7,000+ students** participated in **Post-Test Assessments** across our Digital Skill Building, and English Learning programs. Through comprehensive written, practical and oral evaluations, these assessments reflected the Foundation’s commitment to improving learning outcomes, ensuring students are better equipped for future academic and livelihood opportunities.



In celebration of **International Women’s Day**, the Foundation proudly honored Cosmo Teachers and inspiring village leaders for their contributions to education and social progress. These tributes reinforced our core conviction that empowered women are the primary architects of empowered communities, further strengthening our commitment to fostering equality and confidence at the grassroots level.



A key highlight of the month was the **Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Cosmo Foundation and the CSR Committee of Cosmo First**, where major achievements and program progress across locations were reviewed. The committee appreciated the generous work done by the Foundation at the grassroots level and reaffirmed its strategic direction towards creating sustainable impact.



Beyond academics, the Foundation championed environmental stewardship and cultural cohesion through initiatives marking **World Sparrow, Forest, and Water Days**. By integrating these with vibrant **Holi** and **Iftar celebrations**, we concluded the year with a holistic flourish, embodying a mission that is as much about social harmony and inclusive unity as it is about academic progress.



# Awards and Recognitions

## Ms. Yamini Kumar Jaipuria Featured as Inspirational Woman Leader

Ms. Yamini Kumar Jaipuria, Managing Trustee of Cosmo Foundation and Whole-time Director (Corporate Strategy, ESG and CSR), Cosmo First has been featured by Mint as an **Inspirational Woman Leader**, recognizing her transformative impact in **"Bridging Commerce and Compassion."** As Managing Trustee of Cosmo Foundation, Yamini's leadership has driven scalable social change, impacting over 7,78,000 lives through an integrated education framework and pioneering interventions across the Environment and Empowerment sectors. Her career serves as a masterclass in how corporate governance and social responsibility can converge to create sustainable, long-term value for the community.



## Honored at the FLO Power & Purpose Award FY 2025–26

Cosmo Foundation has been conferred with the **FLO Power & Purpose Award FY 2025–26** for **Grassroot Transformation**, marking a prestigious recognition of our excellence in rural development. Our unwavering commitment to driving profound, measurable change at the heart of our communities is further underscored by this significant accolade.



## Honored at the Rotary CSR Synergy Summit 2026

Cosmo Foundation was honored at the **Rotary CSR Synergy Summit 2026** for its transformative contributions to quality education, skill development, and sustainable empowerment. This accolade further cements our organizational commitment to spearheading initiatives that drive meaningful and enduring social change.



# Education

## Bridging Gaps: Assessing Rural Students' Growth and Skills

Cosmo Foundation continues to bridge the rural–urban learning gap by empowering students through quality education and structured **assessments in Digital Skill Building and English Learning Programs**. A total of **7,000+ students** participated in the **post-test assessment** designed to strengthen conceptual understanding, practical knowledge, and confidence. The integrated evaluation approach, combining practical and theoretical components, enabled students to effectively demonstrate real-world skills and language fluency. With students performing remarkably well, school principals appreciated the initiative for its positive and transformative impact on their learning journeys.



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## Internship that Inspires Growth

“ My internship with Cosmo Foundation under has been a transformative learning experience. It enabled me to contribute to Digital Literacy, English Fluency, and Foundational Literacy and Numeracy initiatives while engaging closely with community learners. This journey strengthened my confidence, communication, teaching, and coordination abilities, and improved my digital and English language proficiency through practical exposure. I sincerely appreciate Cosmo Foundation for providing a valuable platform to learn, grow, and gain meaningful insights into community-driven social work for future growth and impact. ”



**Virajsinh M. Ataliya**  
Intern, Anand Institute of Social Work

# Education

## Shaping Young Learners through ECCE Excellence

Cosmo Foundation's **Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) initiative** lays a strong foundation for lifelong learning by supporting the **holistic development** of children across cognitive, emotional, social, and physical domains. Through play-based learning, interactive activities, and a focus on foundational literacy and numeracy, the program nurtures curiosity, creativity, and confidence at an early age. Teachers are empowered with structured training, innovative teaching-learning materials, and continuous support to create joyful and inclusive classroom environments. With **388 children from Gujarat and Maharashtra** benefiting from the program, the ECCE initiative marks a meaningful step towards strengthening school readiness and investing in the future of young learners.



## Teaching Excellence & Capacity Building Program

Cosmo Foundation is committed to enhancing teachers' quality and confidence through **weekly Study Circle sessions** that focus on **improving English fluency and communication skills** using practical topics such as Tenses, the use of "to be" in Present Tense, communication practice with peers, and Phrasal Verbs. Each one-hour interactive session provides teachers with a supportive platform to practice spoken English, strengthen classroom communication, and build confidence in using the language effectively. With regular participation from **25+ teachers**, the initiative is building a strong foundation for improved teaching practices and better learning outcomes for students.



## Discovering Confidence through Digital Learning

“ I moved to Cosmo affiliated school from other school, Where I had never even seen or touched a computer before. At first, everything in the computer lab felt very new and a little confusing to me.

However, after joining the Computer classes by Cosmo Foundation, my life changed. My teachers guided me patiently, and I learned how to handle a mouse, type, and work on MS Word. With regular practice, my fear disappeared. Today, I feel very proud because I can use the computer all by myself! This experience has opened up a whole new world for me. I am now excited and confident that these digital skills will help me work hard and achieve all my big dreams in the future. ”



**Saniya Kalim Shaikh**

**Student, 9<sup>th</sup> class, Z. P. School, Village: Limbe Jalgaon**

# Empowerment

## Give to Gain: Empowering Women, Transforming Communities

On **International Women's Day 2026**, Cosmo Foundation celebrated the spirit of **"Give to Gain"**, recognizing that empowering women with education, skills, and opportunities creates a ripple effect of positive change across families and communities. Through various initiatives in **education, entrepreneurship, and skill development domain**, women and young girls are gaining the confidence to become independent decision-makers and future-ready leaders. The Foundation continues to support **rural women entrepreneurs and learners**, enabling them to transform aspirations into sustainable livelihoods. Each empowered woman strengthens the foundation of an **inclusive, progressive, and resilient society**, reinforcing the belief that true development begins with equal opportunity.



## From Crafting at Home to Building a Business: My Entrepreneurial Journey

“ My name is Heenaben Chavda, and my journey from a home-based creator to a confident entrepreneur is a testament to the transformative power of the Cosmo Foundation's Business Wellness Program in partnership with Kaarigar Clinic. While I always had the skill to craft soaps and oils, I lacked the technical knowledge to scale. Through their expert guidance, I mastered cost calculation, branding, and digital marketing, allowing me to establish a unique professional identity. Despite the immense pressure of managing my household and my husband's medical needs due to paralysis, this program gave me the resilience to persevere. Today, I am financially independent and no longer "just" a homemaker. I am a proud business owner building a secure future, proving to every woman that with the right tools, we can turn our personal challenges into a legacy of strength and success. ”

**Heena Chavda,**  
**Micro Entrepreneur, Maa Home Made Herbal Products**



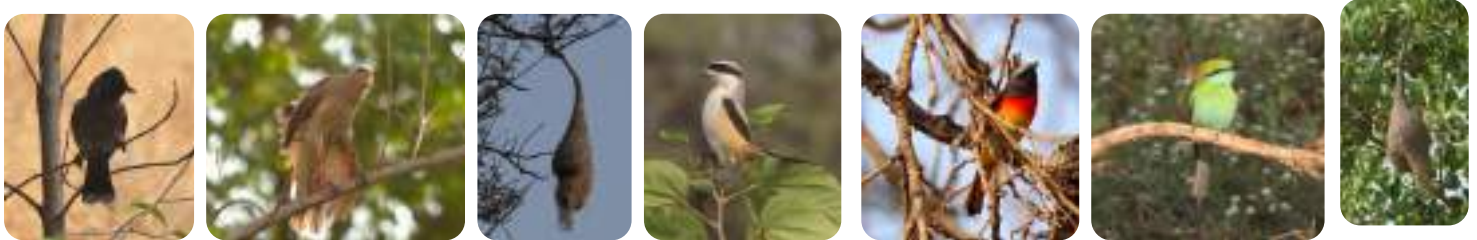
## Environment

### From Nests to Nature: A Holistic Approach to Habitat Conservation

On **World Sparrow Day**, Cosmo Foundation, in collaboration with the **Aruna Kishor Foundation**, organized a bird nest making workshop with **120 students** at Pujoyashree Jashuba Swami Vidyamandir, Village: Methi. This initiative aimed to instill environmental responsibility and compassion by teaching the youth to create safe habitats for sparrows and small birds. By engaging students in hands-on conservation, we are fostering a generation of stewards dedicated to protecting our local biodiversity. Our commitment to ecological restoration follows a "Nest to Nature" philosophy, **bridging the gap between immediate shelter and long-term habitat creation**. While the workshop provided **120 handcrafted nests** for birds, our broader environmental mission has achieved the significant milestone of planting **1.61 lakh trees** in partnership with the **Prayas Youth Foundation**. These expansive green covers serve as vital, living ecosystems where avian life can thrive. By teaching children to build nests today, we ensure they possess the values necessary to protect the forests we plant for tomorrow. Together, through these dual efforts of education and large-scale reforestation, Cosmo Foundation is building a more sustainable world.



Glimpses of Nest-making Workshop



Glimpses of Habitats Created Through Cosmo Foundation's 1.61 Lakh Tree Plantation Drive

## Employee Engagement

### From Workplace to Classroom: Supporting Post-test Assessments

Demonstrating strong employee engagement, **Mr. Vimal Dwivedi, Deputy Manager – Purchase** at Cosmo Films Ltd., Waluj, actively **participated in the post-test assessment** of basic English learning program conducted by Cosmo Foundation at Z. P. School, Turkabad. He closely observed the evaluation process, gained valuable insights into students' learning progress, and personally **conducted oral assessments** to boost student's confidence. Sharing his observations, he stated, **"I found the assessment process satisfactory after interacting with the students. Cosmo teachers are good, and the program is well-organized and systematic."**



# Networking & Partnership

## Youth Engagement in Rural Development

Cosmo Foundation conducted an **orientation session** with **45 National Service Scheme (NSS) student volunteers** from the Central University of Gujarat during their rural camp in Karjan taluka. The session introduced students to the **Foundation's key initiatives** across education, environmental sustainability, and rural empowerment, while also providing a comprehensive **overview of how CSR organizations function and create measurable social impact**. Through practical insights and field-based examples, students gained a deeper understanding of community engagement and development processes. The interaction encouraged them to actively participate in grassroots initiatives, reinforcing the value of youth involvement and strengthening the potential for long-term academic-CSR partnerships.



## Promoting Biodiversity Through Student-Led Nest-Making Workshop

Cosmo Foundation, in partnership with **Aruna Kishor Foundation**, organized an engaging **nest-making workshop** for 120 students from Pujyashree Jashuba Swami Vidyamandir. The initiative combined environmental education with hands-on learning, sensitizing students to biodiversity conservation and the importance of protecting local bird species.

## Exposure Visit of rural students to Key Community Institutions

Cosmo Foundation organized a comprehensive **exposure visit** for students to key **community institutions**, including the **Anganwadi Centre, National Health Mission unit, Cooperative Bank, Primary Health Centre (PHC), and Milk Collection Union**. The initiative aimed to provide practical insights into essential public services and local economic systems. Through direct interactions with stakeholders, students developed a deeper understanding of grassroots governance, healthcare delivery, financial inclusion, and rural livelihoods. This experiential learning opportunity enhanced their awareness, encouraged informed perspectives, and fostered a stronger connection with community development processes.



## Events

### Holi of Happiness and Togetherness

Cosmo Foundation celebrated a **joyful and colourful Holi** by spreading the vibrant hues of education, positivity, and hope, sharing traditional festive treats of Khajur (dates) and Dhani (popped corn) with **2,000+ children** at Cosmo Gyan Vihar centres across Gujarat and Maharashtra, thereby strengthening bonds of happiness, cultural connection, and community spirit.



### World Puppet Day

On the occasion of **World Puppet Day**, Cosmo Gyan Vihar Bal Mitras engaged children in a joyful **puppet-based learning workshop**, where they created finger, hand glove, and stick puppets—encouraging creativity, confidence, and communication while making learning interactive and meaningful for rural children. The activity also fostered imaginative expression and strengthened students' ability to convey ideas through storytelling and performance.



### Ramadan Eid

Cosmo Foundation, under its Cosmo Gyan Vihar initiative, celebrated **Ramadan Eid** by organizing an inclusive **Iftar** gathering with around **200 children** from Kanbha and Choranda villages. The celebration fostered cultural diversity, mutual respect, and social harmony, bringing children together to share traditions, exchange greetings, and experience the spirit of unity through fruits and sherbet.



## Get Involved

Date / Event	Program Plan Karjan	Program Plan Chhatrapati Sambhajanagar
1 <sup>st</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	<b>Assessment of Students - Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) Program</b> Time: 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Venue: Across CGVK Centres	<b>Assessment of Students - Digital Literacy, English Fluency Development &amp; Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) Program</b> Time: 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Venue: Across Centres
5 <sup>th</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	<b>“Gift a Book” Campaign: National Year of Reading Initiative with Cosmo First Employees</b> Venue: Cosmo Film Manufacturing Plant - Karjan, Waluj, Shendra	
7 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 World Health Day	<b>Webinar on Mental Health Awareness in Collaboration with AMAM Foundation</b> Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	
8 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	<b>Community Health Camp in partnership with AYUSH, Government of Gujarat</b> Time: 09:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Venue: Jalaram Nagar, Karjan	<b>Health &amp; Hygiene Awareness Session</b> Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Venue: Z P Urdu School, Village: Kagzipura
10 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 Summer Vacation Batch	<b>Digital Skill Building Course for Youth</b> Time: 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Venue: Village: Methi, Vemar, Koliyad, Choranda, Khandha & ITI Karjan	<b>Digital Skill Building and English Fluency Development Course for Youth</b> Time: 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Venue: Across Centres, Gangapur
11 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 World Pet Care Day	<b>Snap the bond – “My Pet, My Best Friend” on Digi Pathshala</b>	
13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	<b>Inauguration of Water ATM</b> Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Venue: Village: Kagzipura	
18 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 World Heritage Day	<b>Video Screening on Heritage Site Damaged in US-Israel War</b> Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Venue: Summer Vacation Batches	
22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2026 World Earth Day	<b>Video Screening on Short Film - One Earth</b> Time: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Venue: Shreeji Krupa Sarvajanic High School, Village: Koliyad	<b>Tree Plantation Drive at Biodiversity Hub</b> Time: 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Venue: Biodiversity Hub

# Get Involved

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23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026 World Book Day and International English Language Day	<b>Book Donation to Rural School Library, Book Fair &amp; Literary Competitions in English</b> Time: 9:00 a.m.to 11:00 a.m. Venue: Primary School, Juna Bazar, Karjan	<b>Book Donation to Rural School Library and Book Fair with rural students &amp; community</b> Time: 9:00 a.m.to 11:00 a.m. Venue: Z.P. School, Village: Ranjangaon Pol
25 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 National Panchayati Raj Day	<b>Exposure Visit of students to Gram Panchayat Office and Interaction with Sarpanch</b> Time: 10:00 a.m.to 11:00 a.m. Venue: Village: Sambhoi	<b>Exposure Visit of students to Gram Panchayat Office and Interaction with Sarpanch</b> Time: 10:00 a.m.to 11:00 a.m. Venue: Village: Gavali Shivara

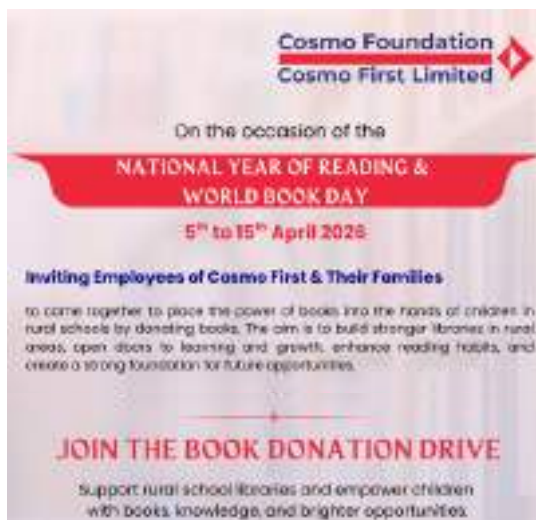
Employees of Cosmo First are invited to participate and contribute to the above-mentioned CSR activities, either in person or through the virtual platform

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Thank you for reading  
We look forward to your continued support as we carry  
on our journey of creating lasting impact through meaningful initiatives.

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