The Wonderbook

A Mosaic of Visual Expressions by Children with Disabilities

Dear Friends,

I am truly overjoyed to present this little bouquet of artistic expressions on the occasion of Children's Day 2021.

What you will see in the subsequent pages of this collection are works of art created by the children of our ARISE+ program. Most of these creations came about during the perilous times of the pandemic – when these children (like all of us) were placed under lockdown and the stress of uncertainty. Yet, each of these artworks is a testimony to the resilience, creativity, and the inner strength that these children bring with them, and which we strive to nurture through the ARISE+ program.

The program stands firmly on the strong platform provided by our implementation partners, who bring with them considerable expertise and commitment to working with Children with Disabilities. This picture-book was compiled in quick time thanks to the support of these partners, and also our program and communication teams who had the onerous task of selecting these pieces from over 238 works of art that we received.

Scroll through this little offering of ours, a labour of love, which underscores the point that we need to do whatever it takes to help these children have a bright future and a fulfilling, dignified life.

Happy Children's Day!

Chetan Kapoor
COO, Tech Mahindra Foundation

Baban Bhalerao
CR Ranganathan School
for the Deaf, Pune

Age: 18 Years

Sandeep
Govt. Residential School
for Hearing Handicapped,
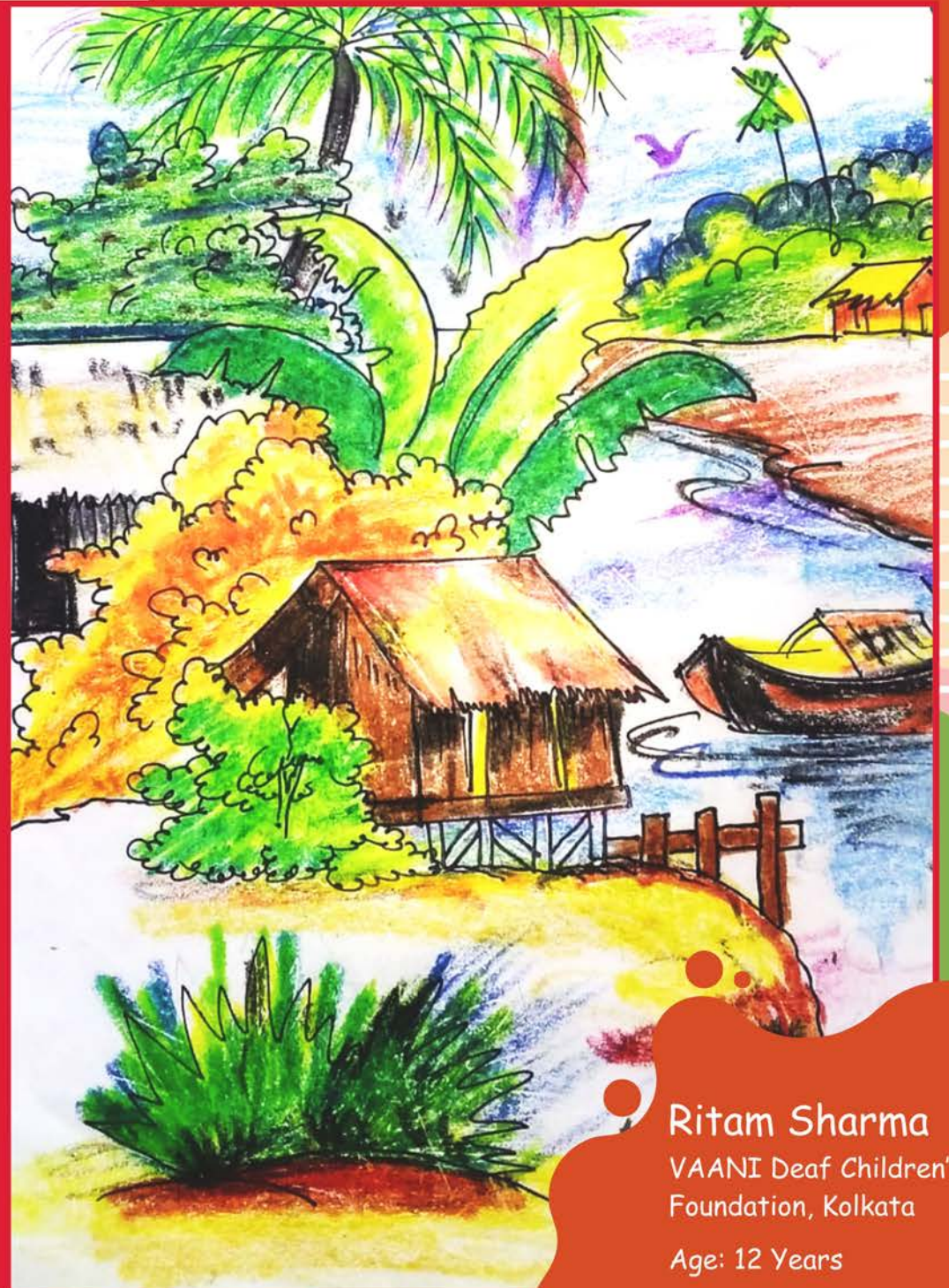Asmangadh, Hyderabad
Age: 15 Years

Kalpana Mahapatra
SNDAYP, Bhubaneswar
Age: 16 Years
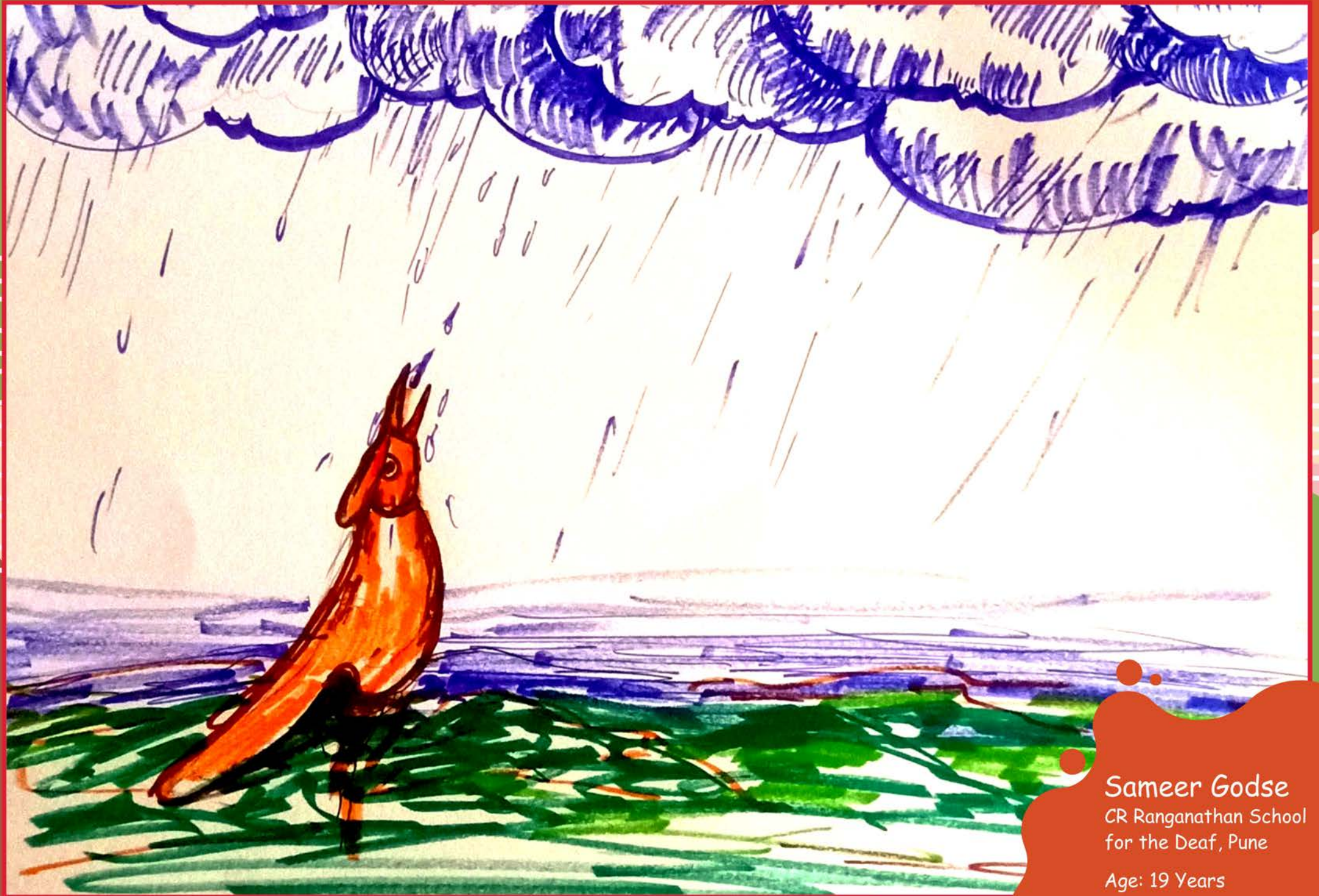
Avani
ASTHA, Batla House,
Delhi
Age: 12 Years

Ritam Sharma
VAANI Deaf Children's
Foundation, Kolkata
Age: 12 Years

Sameer Godse
CR Ranganathan School
for the Deaf, Pune

Age: 19 Years

Prathamesh Ghante
Utkarsh Mandal, Mumbai
Age: 17 Years

Sakshit Jethe

Rashtriya Drushtihin
Shikshan and Punarvasan
Sanstha, Nagpur

Age: 14 Years

Today
is a
Gift

Never
stop
learning
because
life never
stops testing

Vinoth
Arvind Foundation, Chennai
Age: 22 Years

Jashwanth
Govt. High School
for the Deaf, Malakpet
Hyderabad

Age: 14 Years

Sakshi Bhadsale
Vikas Vidyalaya, Mumbai

Age: 21 Years

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Moufica A
Ajay Higher Secondary
School for the Hearing
Impaired, Chennai

Age: 13 Years

Vysaali
Spastic Society of
Tamil Nadu, Chennai

Age: 14 Years

Rutik
Bombay Institution
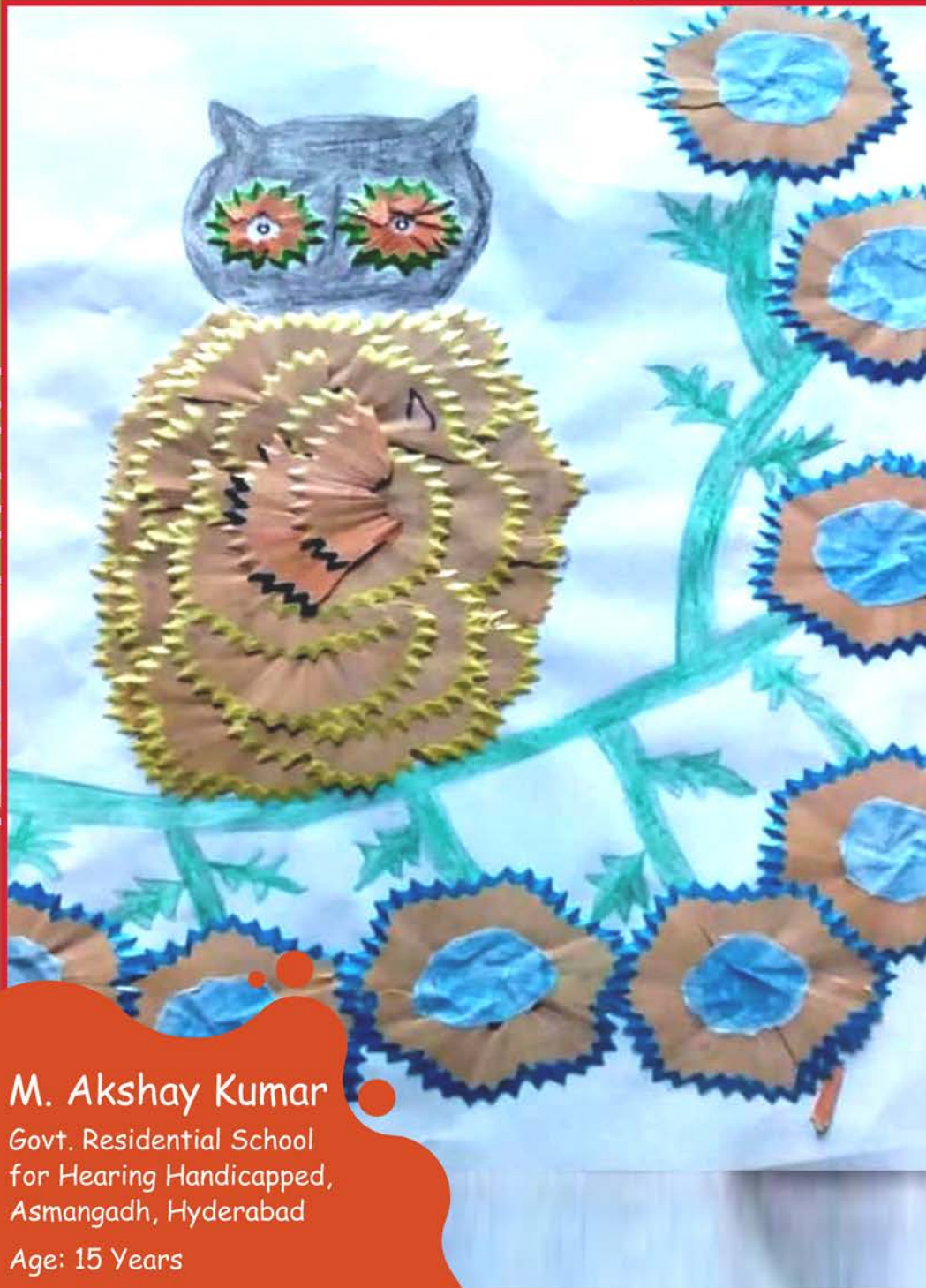for Deaf and Mutes,
Mumbai

Age: 20 Years

Arush Bahirat
COER Ankur Vidyamandir,
Pune
Age: 8 Years

Gaurav Gavade
Utkarsh Mandal, Mumbai
Age: 20 Years

M. Akshay Kumar
Govt. Residential School
for Hearing Handicapped,
Asmangadh, Hyderabad

Age: 15 Years

Manisha
Govt. Middle School
for Deaf (NPSD),
Delhi

Age: 15 Years

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Ajay Higher Secondary
School for the Hearing
Impaired, Chennai

Age: 14 Years

Prathamesh Aamale
CR Ranganathan School
for the Deaf, Pune

Age: 15 Years

Dipa Mondal
VAANI Deaf Children's
Foundation, Kolkata

Age: 13 Years

Shweta Sawant
CR Ranganathan School
for the Deaf, Pune

Age: 17 Years

Diya
Spastic Society of
Tamil Nadu, Chennai

Age: 13 Years

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About Tech Mahindra Foundation

Tech Mahindra Foundation is the corporate social responsibility arm of Tech Mahindra Limited, a Mahindra Group Company. The Foundation set up in 2007, as a Section 25 Company (referred to as a Section 8 Company in the Companies Act, 2013), has been working tirelessly in the areas of education, employability and disability, with a keen focus on corporate volunteering.

The Foundation works with the mandate that 50% of its beneficiaries are women and 10% are Persons with Disabilities. Over the years, the Tech Mahindra Foundation has impacted 290,425 direct beneficiaries across all the programs. Additionally, Tech Mahindra Foundation continues to serve the nation through the 571 COVID Relief Projects* across 17 states in India.

Our Focus Areas

EMPLOYABILITY

SMART (Skills-for-Market Training) is the Foundation's flagship employability program to empower youth from economically backward urban communities. It provides them with the requisite employability skills through structured training programs, ensuring that they are placed in suitable dignified jobs. The Foundation has been implementing the SMART program by establishing a network of SMART Academies and Centres – run both directly and through other partner implementing agencies.

EDUCATION

The Foundation works in Government schools through its ARISE (All Round Improvement in School Education) program with the objective of holistic development of children in these schools. Moreover, Shikshaantar is the Foundation's training program focusing on teacher empowerment and capacity enhancement through modern-day subject matter and pedagogical practices. The Foundation has also launched Mobile Science Lab, where a bus equipped with hands-on activities of EVS (Sciences) visits the Government schools to facilitate the learning of students from Classes 3 to 5.

DISABILITY

The Foundation believes that there is Ability in Disability. With the focus on creating an inclusive world and providing a life of dignity and confidence, we are working in the area of education and skill development for children and youth with disabilities, respectively. This is done through ARISE+ (All Round Improvement in School Education for Children with Disabilities) and SMART+ (Skills-for-Market Training for Persons with Disabilities). ARISE+ is a program that encourages children with disabilities to become a part of mainstream education. The SMART+ program focuses on providing employable market-related entrepreneurial skills and opportunities to youth with disabilities.

VOLUNTEERING

Corporate Volunteering lies at the heart of Tech Mahindra Foundation's ethos. Employees volunteer and contribute to driving positive social change while simultaneously enhancing their own capacities for empathy and compassion. This is how we *#RiseforGood!*

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