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A creative learning initiative for children with cancer and their caregivers



Founder's Desk

**Ar. Sandhya Sharad**

21st December 2025 marked a significant milestone - the 10th series of The Samiksha Foundation Scholarships Program Event. With a deep sense of gratitude I thank all the Donors, doctors, students, teachers, parents, caregivers, volunteers, most importantly the entire team at Samiksha who made this possible. Every student going out there is a testimonial to our Sustained Belief that Knowledge Empowers and Happiness Heals.

They are our ambassadors of resilience and Survivorship, truly making their mark in the world inspite of Cancer. We eagerly look forward to SFSP11 and more in the coming years!

## Samiksha Foundation Scholarship Program - Series 10!



We are elated to share the grand success of the 10th year of Samiksha Foundation Scholarships Program, that was held at the BMCRI Campus, Kalsipalya, Bengaluru, on December 21st, 2025.

This incredible event wouldn't have been possible without the enthusiastic participation and unwavering support of our talented Samiksha team, Resource partners Satish Kumar and Krishna Arjun, Volunteers, Interns, and Our Students. Their energy and cooperation made the day truly gleeful and memorable!



This year, we are proud to have provided financial assistance of over 15 lakhs to 83 deserving students, to be dispersed by January 2026, empowering them to pursue their educational dreams and build a brighter future.

Among the cohort of Doctors were our long time supporter, Life time Achievement Awardee (Pediatric Hematology-Oncology (PHOCON), 2019) Professor of Pediatric Oncology Dr. L. Appaji and Dr. Rajeshwari, Pediatric Nephrologist along with two children from IGICH who recently underwent kidney transplant, receiving scholarships.

Representing from St. Johns Hospital, Bangalore were Mr. Prakash Lobo, Pediatric Nephrology POC and Sister Saramma Ommen who made the event very special.

Together, we can make a real difference!



## Key Speakers at SFSP10



Dr. L. Appaji, MD & DM Department of Medical Oncology Sri Shankara Cancer Hospital & Research Centre - "Samiksha Foundation Scholarships Program continues to support the education of pediatric oncology patients. In the hospital teachers also engage children through crafts and music therapy to keep them happy."

"I pay my regards and wish Samiksha to grow healthy and happy and reach many more children in the future."

Mr. N P Sreedhar, Chartered Accountant - Our statutory auditor Sreedhar, made a beautiful analogy with the story of Indraloka, where divine beings enjoy bliss while Earth suffers due to karma. He called out Rashmi Mishra and Sandhya Sharad as the two angels who question this injustice and choose to descend to



Earth to help alleviate human suffering. They are portrayed as having taken human form to serve and transform society. Rashmi for empowering the underprivileged through education and skills, while Sandhya Sharad was acknowledged for her work with special children and cancer-affected individuals.

He expressed his deep respect, gratitude, and calls for collective support to aid their mission and inspire human evolution.





We were grateful to have **Mrs. Rashmi Mishra, founder of VIDYA** - an organization dedicated to transforming lives through education, empowerment, and community development.

In Rashmi's words, "Education is the true magic of life—this is what Samiksha Foundation does. By focusing on dreams and positivity, it helps children rise above pain and challenges and move forward."



She said she looked forward to collaborating with Samiksha students through visits to Vidya Foundation and embracing new collaborative opportunities especially in Digital and AI learning and education.

A powerful affirmation: "I am strong, I am capable, I am the leader of future India."

## Heartwarming Testimonials at SFSP10

Maruti made a profound statement on how caste and religion should not divide people, as God resides in everyone. He praised Samiksha Foundation for helping all individuals with compassion, without discrimination. He expressed his deep gratitude for the education and financial support

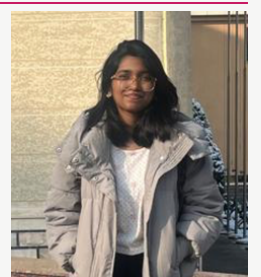
received from Samiksha Foundation and beautifully comparing Samiksha as a protective wing that give confidence and strength during uncertain times - just as a bird finds confidence in its wings when on a shaky branch. He aspires to secure a good job and one day give back by supporting the same organization.



**Maruti Mannur**

We wish Maruti the best in life with immense hope and gratitude

"I was born into a very poor family and grew up facing many difficulties. In my childhood, I did not get proper education. Later in life, Samiksha Foundation extended help to me. They taught me skills and guided me on the path to studying Medicine. Because of them, my life has changed. Samiksha Foundation has truly been a ray of hope for me."



**Bhakti C Meti**

Dear Bhakti, may sky be your limit in all that you achieve!

"After being diagnosed with blood cancer in 8th standard, I chose the path of nursing to serve society. Samiksha Foundation supported us in every way—financially, emotionally, and through scholarships.

I salute Samiksha Foundation, Kidwai Hospital, Appaji Sir, and Arvind Sir, and promise to give back through social service." All the best Jitendra!



**Jitendra B M**

## More testimonials from the batch of SFSP10



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<https://youtu.be/z2o1K2-RIbg?si=nhTosT3qX2TpKdiF>



Bheemaprasad



<https://youtu.be/62rlkxEE0ak?si=zV5gZKIBTZigMw-N>

Renuka Prasad

## Samiksha Foundation Supports IGICH Pediatric Oncology Ward with their digital optimization.

Donation Date - 21st November 2025  
 DONATION MADE TO IGICH - 3 tablets and 1 laptop to the Pediatric Oncology Department at the Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health (IGICH), Bengaluru.

This contribution was made in response to their request for digital support to enhance patient care.



These devices will assist the medical team with digital nursing documentation, real-time access to lab and imaging reports, accurate chemotherapy and dosage calculations, bedside data entry, inventory tracking, patient and caregiver education, nursing training, and monthly ward data compilation.

We are honoured to support IGICH's efforts to build a technology-enabled, paperless oncology ward and improve the quality of care for children undergoing cancer treatment.

## A new collaboration begins....

A momentous day for Samiksha Foundation!



On 11th December 2025, we signed an MoU with the Department of Pediatric Nephrology, St. John's Medical College Hospital (SJMCH) - coinciding with the first anniversary of the OP Pediatric Dialysis Care Unit.

The MoU was signed and exchanged by Ar. Sandhya Sharad, Founder & Trustee, Samiksha Foundation, and Rev. Fr. Jesudoss Rajamanickam, Director, SJNAHS.





## Christmas Dinner with ST.JOHNS.!



Sandhya Sharad, Founder, and Vijaya N., Senior Advisor of Samiksha Foundation, were invited by St. John's National Academy of Health Sciences for the Christmas Dinner and Well-Wishers' Celebration held on Saturday, 20th December 2025.



The invitation was extended as a gesture of gratitude for their continued support toward St. John's Hospital and its mission of service to the needy.

Samiksha Foundation was deeply honoured by this humble and delightful invitation.

## Volunteer now!

We have volunteering and internship opportunities for senior citizens, retired professionals, teachers, and students.

Volunteers are needed to support the education and storytelling programs:

- **remote tutoring** for students 8<sup>th</sup> grade upward,
- in-person storytelling and reading at wards.

### Session Slots :

**Monday - Friday: 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM | 2:00 – 4:00 PM**

**Saturday (1st & 3rd of the month): 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM**

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## Impact Story : over 17614 beneficiaries and 610 scholarships awarded.

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- **₹12,95,000** - Annual operating costs of one Samiksha Learning Centre - ensuring continued **educational support for hospitalized children**. We have 4 in-person centres in Bangalore.
- **₹8,50,000** - New Samiksha Learning Program at Belagavi BIMS in 2026, expanding access to **learning for pediatric patients**.
- **₹7,20,000** - essential administrative and rental expenses, enabling effective program delivery and compliance.
- **₹6,00,000** to enhance **digital learning infrastructure in Pediatric Oncology** and Nephrology wards at IGICH, Bengaluru, through mobile devices and internet connectivity.

**DONATE TODAY ! AVAIL Tax benefits 80G [India] or 501(c)(3) [Dollar donations] available.**

*We believe that knowledge empowers and happiness heals*

**OUR MOTTO: "THE PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE IS KEY TO THEIR PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS"**



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