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A NOTE FROM ANNE FERRER



Anne Ferrer,
Executive Director, Rural Development Trust

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In any place in the world, development means people's empowerment, strength, confidence, knowledge and progress, including improvements in education, healthcare and employment. But without expanding knowledge, awareness and leadership skills, there is no real progress or equality in society.

In RDT, people have always been at the centre of all programmes and their empowerment at the heart of our work. Women, men, youngsters, persons with disabilities and other genders have shown their leadership capabilities in all areas of life and have demonstrated that working together makes them stronger.

A special mention needs to be made this year of the women's cooperative banks. In 2024-25 in 148 villages, 6,457 women opened 7 cooperative banks, each bank having more than 900 members. They joined voluntarily with their own contribution of Rs 100 each and their own accumulated savings.

Each member also buys shares in the cooperative, setting the amounts and limits themselves. During the year, they earned Rs 47,73,068 in interest income, incurred administrative expenses of Rs 19,65,357 and recorded a net profit of Rs 28,07,710.

The cooperative banks are totally owned and managed by the women, who received training from professional resource persons, both outside and inside RDT, before opening the banks. RDT gives guidance and support only when needed.

By actually owning their own banks, women gain high levels of confidence, leadership skills and the ability to engage in community decision making. The banks help

women save money, access credit and manage loans for personal or business purposes.

Through these cooperatives, women are gaining respect and decision-making values within their families, with husbands encouraging them to use cooperative savings instead of external borrowing, recognising that the benefits and dividends ultimately support the women and their families.

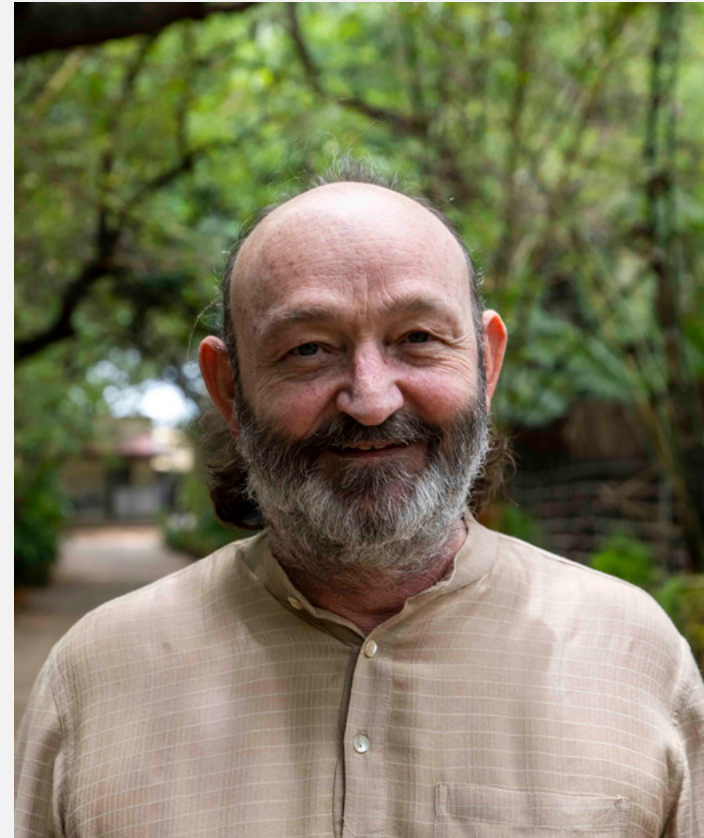
In education, village-level community development committees have played a major role in enrollment and retention of children. They motivate parents and encourage them to support their children, especially girls, to continue higher studies.

Persons with disabilities who previously had to depend on others for all their needs are now showing their confidence and capabilities to change their lives on par with others in society. They have their own groups both at village and mandal level and in 2024-25, over 2,000 persons with disabilities accessed government benefits such as medical certificates, Aadhar and ration cards, house pattas, pensions and travel concessions. They have also demonstrated economic self-reliance, with over 2,000 persons with disabilities managing livestock units and other self-employment activities.

In general, people have demonstrated that all they need is a chance, an opportunity in life, and they can progress to a life of dignity and self-reliance like anyone else.

My grateful thanks to all of you, staff and all persons who have supported our work. You have all made a difference in the lives of thousands of people.

A NOTE FROM MONCHO FERRER



Moncho Ferrer,
Programme Director, Rural Development Trust

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Looking back on our journey over the past year, I am reminded of our ethos and core belief that ‘communities are the main actors in their own development’. This has been a time-tested fact, and our driving principle for the last 56 years, which has helped us carry on our impactful work, with communities at the centre of sustainable social development.

This year, we have continued to witness the positive social change driven by communities. Across 3,900+ villages, we continue to see women’s Sanghams growing, farmers embracing sustainable farming, single mothers building enterprises, and children pursuing their education, not through their individual might, but through collective social effort, ensuring support, shared responsibility and care for each other. The true measure of the work we do lies in how fully people carry out these efforts on their own, which has been visible over the years, as our role has evolved from initiating programmes to enabling communities to lead them.

It was in 1982 that we began to create spaces for people to discuss their challenges, starting with Sanghams, which became spaces where women could gather, share, address their concerns and strengthen their bonds, laying the foundation for collective change. Over time, similar models were adopted by over 3,282 CDCs (Community Development Committees), 166 EDCs (Ecology Development Committees), and 1,976 Vikalangula Samakhyas.

We remain steadfast in mentoring these collectives, with a strong belief in people’s capacity to drive their own progress, while supporting them as they equip themselves with the tools and confidence to shape their own futures.

Through the growth of cooperative banks, owned and run by more than 6,000 women from 148 villages, supported through guidance and training from RDT, women have earned a collective net profit of over 28,00,000. These efforts have not only strengthened their financial security but also fostered community development and social progress.

In healthcare, since introducing preventive health measures in 1975, along with community health initiatives focused on awareness of communicable and non-communicable diseases in rural areas, we have grown into a network of 3 rural hospitals, which now treat 8,00,000+ patients every year, reflecting how RDT has worked towards building a grassroots health system that continues to support communities today.

I deeply value the commitment of the people behind our work. This has been made possible through the active participation of communities, the government, donors, corporate partners, volunteers, well-wishers, and our dedicated staff. Their continued support remains at the heart of our work and reinforces our belief that, together, we can build a shared future where opportunity, equality, and dignity remain the foundation of everything we do.

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INTRODUCTION

Dedicated to addressing human challenges in their diverse manifestations, RDT programmes are implemented in over 3,900 villages across Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states. We encourage community ownership and local leadership to ensure communities are the main actors in their own progress.

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MISSION, VISION AND
DHARMA

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WE WORK

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OUR IMPACT

MISSION

Empowering rural communities
and supporting them in their
struggle to eradicate poverty,
suffering and injustice.



DHARMA

Concern for others
Work beyond duty
Pursuit of excellence
Reaching as many poor as possible



VISION

A caring, just and equitable society.





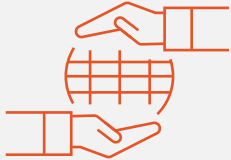
Supporting **the government** in implementing public schemes and policies and assisting the communities to understand and access them.



Engaging with citizens and institutions in India and abroad to promote solidarity and thereby supplement the efforts of RDT.

OUR APPROACH

Sustainable development requires the active involvement of various stakeholders. RDT is committed to fostering effective communication and collaboration among these stakeholders to drive meaningful change.

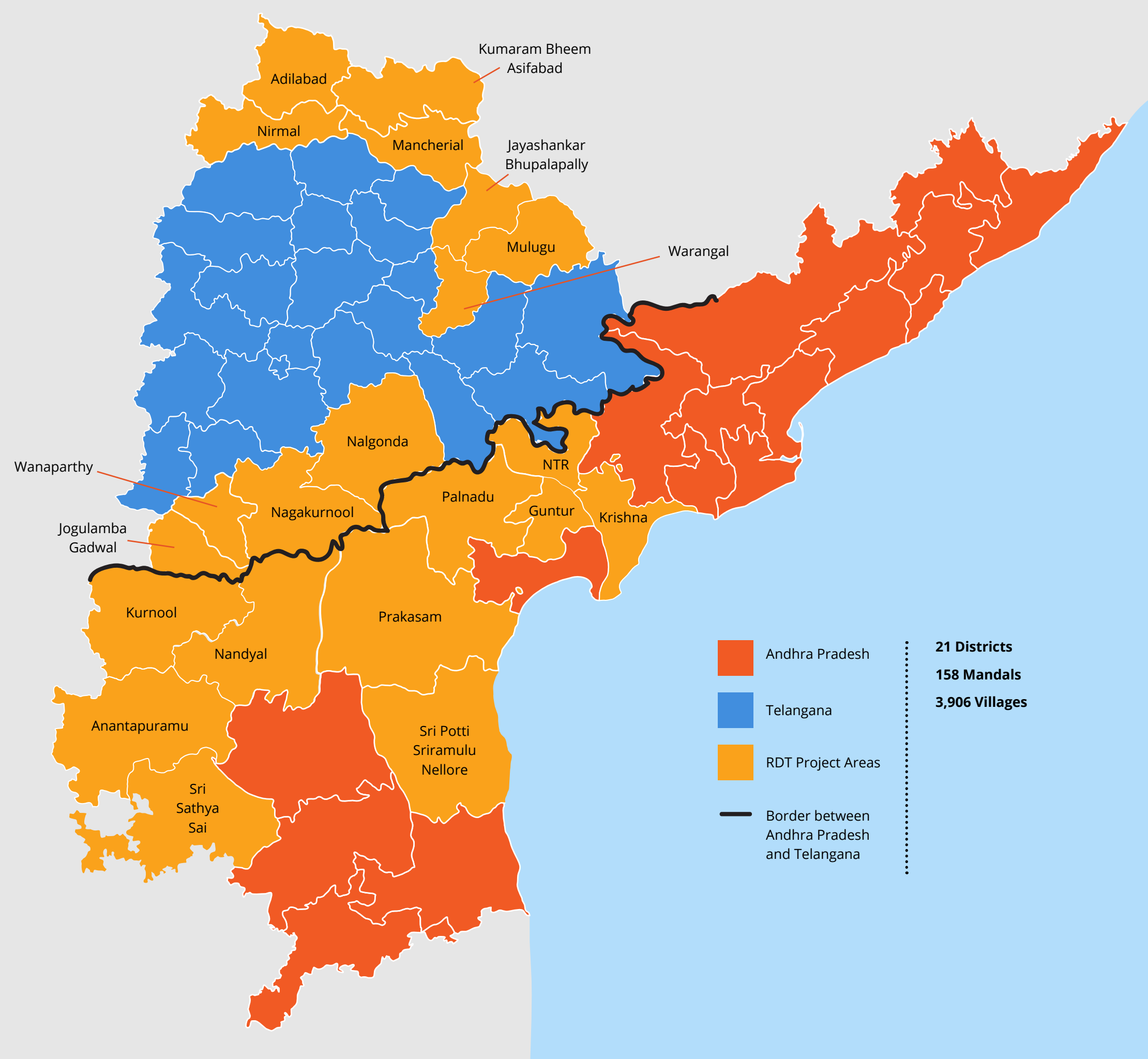


Creating a positive impact in the communities **through collaborative partnerships with like-minded corporations** to drive social progress.



Facilitating the formation of **community-based organisations** to enable the communities to be the driving force in their development.

WHERE WE WORK



OUR IMPACT

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16,406,477

plants dibbled till date*

4,52,287

families reached under RDT's programmes

2,00,000+

children and youth trained through the sports programme*

3,000+

check dams and percolation tanks built*

93,419

women in Sanghams

8,00,000+

people receive treatment in our hospital network

9,80,000+

students supported with access to higher education till date*

25,452

PWDs creating a supportive network through Vikalangula Sanghams

13,360

institutional deliveries in the RDT Hospital Network

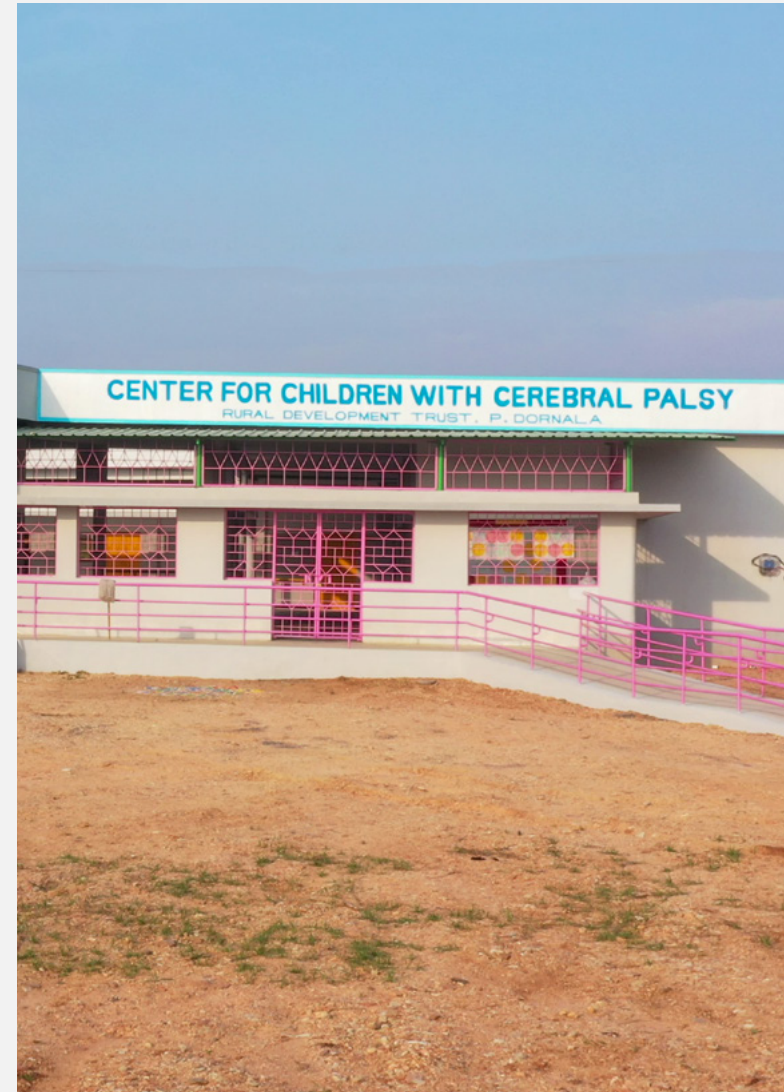
88,370

houses build*

*cumulative

HIGHLIGHTS

24-25



DECEMBER 3, 2024

INAUGURATION OF CEREBRAL PALSY CENTRE, DORNALA

The new Centre for life skill education for children with Cerebral Palsy in Dornala was inaugurated on the Day of International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The centre currently supports 40 children with Cerebral Palsy.



DECEMBER 4, 2024

MANA BHOOMI FESTIVAL

The first ever Manabhoomi festival was celebrated at RDT Inclusive School for Primary and Higher Education in Anantapur. 460 parents, children and staff participated in sessions on waste segregation and composting.



DECEMBER 26, 2024

RDT PSFL - B2 LEVEL CERTIFICATION

For the first time since its establishment in 2012, 29 female students from the 2023-24 residential batch completed at the RDT Professional School of Foreign Languages achieved B2-level certification in Spanish, French, and German languages. 29 female students from the 2023-24 residential batch completed a four-month training after B1-level certification.



JANUARY 10-11, 2025

AATASHALA CONFERENCE

'Aatashala: Unlocking the Potential Through Sport & Play' workshop and conference was held at ASV, organised by RDT-ASA with the support of Generalitat Valenciana.



MARCH 9, 2025

ANANTAPUR HAPPY STREET

Anantapur's first-ever Happy Street event was organised by RDT-ASA and the Anantapuramu Municipal Corporation. The event was led by RDT-ASA's female youth leaders, celebrating women's achievements through sports, arts, theatre, and cultural activities.



MARCH 29, 2025

STEM LABORATORY INAUGURATION

A new STEM Laboratory was inaugurated at RDT High School for Inclusive Education in Anantapuramu, to make STEM education interesting and accessible to students.



OCTOBER, 2025

ANUSHA BECOMES PART OF THE INDIAN SENIOR WOMEN FOOTBALL SQUAD.

M Anusha, an ASA Residential Football Programme student-athlete secured a spot on Indian Senior Women's Football squad for an International Friendly against Maldives.



AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- February 28, 2025 - Our Executive Director, Anne Ferrer, was honoured with the Ramon Llull Award by the Government of the Balearic Islands, Spain.
- December 23, 2024 - Women Empowerment Director, Visha Ferrer, received the South India Women Achievers Award 2024 for Excellence in Social Service in Bangalore.
- November 18, 2024 - Our Executive Director, Anne Ferrer, received the Qimpro Platinum Standard Award for Education at the 34th Qimpro Awards in Mumbai
- September 12, 2024 - Women Empowerment Director, Visha Ferrer, was awarded an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Burgos, Spain



2.

OUR WORK

RDT implements integrated development programmes that address the diverse needs of rural communities. We work to ensure access to quality education, healthcare, sustainable livelihoods, dignified housing, basic infrastructure, and essential services, while promoting environmental sustainability and helping communities live in harmony with nature. Our programmes reach women, children, people with disabilities, and tribal communities, and include sports initiatives that support the wellbeing and development of future generations.

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GENDER
EQUALITY

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HEALTH &
WELL-BEING

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SUSTAINABLE
ENVIRONMENT

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& EDUCATION

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SOCIAL & ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

01.

GENDER EQUALITY

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TO WORK TOWARDS
A GENDER-JUST SOCIETY
WHERE WOMEN HAVE
EQUAL ACCESS TO
OPPORTUNITIES, SAFETY,
AND THE INDEPENDENCE
TO MAKE INFORMED
DECISIONS.

OUR APPROACH

RDT aims to achieve gender equality by supporting communities in creating safe spaces and promoting women’s access to equal opportunities through social, economic, and educational support. We work towards empowering women to drive change by providing resources and equipping them with the skills needed to build a sustainable future for themselves and their families.

9,636

girls encouraged through sports*

8,738

Women Sanghams (Self-Help Groups)*

2,43,276

women treated in G&O departments
in RDT Hospital Network*

2,28,197

women with access to financial
resources*

17,816

women involved in income
generation activities*

93,419

women members in Sanghams*

13,660

institutional deliveries
in the Hospital Network*

LINES OF WORK

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EQUALITY

Strengthening women's equal participation in decision-making, governance, education, and economic life by building collective platforms and individual capabilities.

Across 8,738 women's sanghams, 93,419 women are continuing in active decision-making roles, participating directly in local governance and managing their own financial priorities. Sanghams continue to provide shared spaces where women support one another through peer learning, collective problem-solving, and community action. Through these active sanghams, rural women are increasingly shaping village-level decisions and ensuring their voices are represented in development processes.

Access to skills and education continues to be central in strengthening equal opportunities for women and girls. Through RDT's Women Empowerment Programme, 74,997 women have been supported through skill development workshops till 2024-25, expanding access to skills training and livelihood opportunities. In 2024-25, 12,650 girls were supported through 1,040 RDT Supplementary Schools to improve learning outcomes, while 9,636 girls accessed sport through our Sport for Development Programme, helping create more equitable opportunities for learning, growth and participation in sport.

SAFETY

Ensuring safety, health, and dignity for women and girls through housing, healthcare access, and supportive community systems.

Through the housing programme, 88,370 houses were constructed, ensuring dignified housing for women and families. These houses, built for women in their names, strengthen women's ability to participate more confidently in community life and decision-making.

RDT believes physical and mental wellbeing of women and girls remain a critical pillar of safety. During 2024-25, 13,660 safe deliveries were carried out at RDT hospitals, ensuring access to quality antenatal and postnatal care, while 3,502 single mothers accessed free health checkups, ensuring access to quality healthcare. Through our Women Empowerment Programme, 1,127 girls and women received support through 139 counselling centres, 174 women were supported with access to psychiatric services, and shelter home provided care and assistance to those in need. In addition, 154 menstrual health workshops were conducted during the year, equipping adolescent girls with accurate information, promoting safe practices to better understand and manage their own bodies with confidence.

INDEPENDENCE

Supporting women to achieve economic self-reliance through livelihoods, education, financial inclusion, and access to mobility and assistive resources.

Through the collective savings of 93,419 women in self-help groups, women accessed low interest credit that supported income generation while strengthening financial literacy and decision-making in 2024-25. In addition, 14,065 cattle were distributed to women till 2024-25, under the Women Empowerment Programme, contributing to more secure and sustainable livelihoods.

Across 148 villages, around 6,457 women came together to establish seven women-owned and led cooperative banks with their own savings and contributions, becoming a vital source of financial security and collective leadership.

With access to skill training and resources, till date, 17,816 women are involved in income generation activities, while women farmers were supported through sustainable livelihood activities, strengthening economic resilience and reinforcing women's independence within their families and communities.

02.

HEALTH & WELL-BEING

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TO MAKE ACCESSIBLE,
AFFORDABLE, AND
QUALITY HEALTHCARE
A REALITY FOR ALL.

OUR APPROACH

RDT works towards bringing medical services closer to rural communities, through three rural hospitals, three rural clinics, and two mobile clinics. Alongside treatment, RDT places strong emphasis on preventive healthcare through regular screenings, awareness and health education. These efforts help identify health risks early, reduce long-term illness, and enable individuals and families to make informed decisions about their wellbeing.

8,268

HIV patients registered for ART therapy

2,734

babies admitted to the NICU

7,64,444

people availed treatment at the
RDT Hospitals

35,502

people reached through
mobile clinics

2,22,000+

children treated in Paediatrics
Departments

68,500+

aids and assistive devices
distributed to PWD*

15,500+

surgeries conducted
at our hospital network

LINES OF WORK

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ACCESSIBILITY

Improving access to quality and essential healthcare in rural and remote communities.

In 2024-25, RDT continued to ensure access to affordable, quality healthcare services for more than 7,64,444 patients with a combined capacity of 532 beds across hospitals. This year, 2,734 newborns received advanced neonatal care, while 48,721 inpatients and 8,268 persons with infectious diseases were treated across hospitals. By taking healthcare services directly to villages, RDT conducted 35,502 screenings through mobile clinics during the year, helping ensure timely diagnosis and treatment.

Accessible specialised treatment for rural communities remains at the heart of RDT's healthcare initiatives. During the year, RDT hospitals conducted 766 orthopaedic surgeries, 6,373 gynaecology and obstetrics procedures, and a total of 12,591 surgeries across departments. Through specialised thalassaemia care, dedicated diabetic units, and infectious diseases department, RDT continues to ensure that quality healthcare remains accessible to all.

ASSISTANCE

Providing specialised medical support, quality treatment, and timely referrals to ensure individuals receive the right care.

Timely medical assistance remains essential to ensuring continuity of care for people requiring specialised support. During the year, 3,507 aids and assistive devices were fabricated and provided, supporting greater mobility and self-reliance. Through the Early Intervention Programme, 223 children with developmental delays were identified and provided with timely support and follow-up care, helping improve developmental outcomes from an early stage. In addition, 4,193 individuals were referred to medical institutions through our hospitals to ensure access to specialised treatment and continued care.

Through the cancer detection programme at Bathalapalli Hospital, 9,136 individuals were screened for the early identification of cancer, and 21 diagnosed patients were supported with treatment and follow-up care. In parallel, RDT hospitals continue to maintain 24-hour blood bank services, emergency services and ambulance support to ensure emergency care.

AWARENESS

Strengthening community knowledge and everyday health practices to prevent illness, encourage early diagnosis, and improve overall wellbeing.

During the year, 566 general health awareness camps and 73 sanitation and hygiene workshops were conducted, strengthening everyday practices that help prevent illness and promote overall health and wellbeing. Specialised counselling services for people affected by infectious diseases and their families, encouraging timely treatment, improving adherence to care, and reducing stigma within communities.

Across 154 villages, 3,934 women participated in workshops focused on the early detection and treatment of anaemia, while 1,064 adolescents took part in adolescent health workshops conducted during the year. In addition, village-level follow-up support was provided to 834 expectant mothers to ensure continuity of care and facilitate the early identification of high-risk pregnancies. Awareness sessions linked to clean water access further strengthened safer household practices and reduced waterborne diseases.

03.

SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT

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TO SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS
AND COMMUNITIES TO LIVE IN
HARMONY WITH NATURE WHILE
ADAPTING TO SUSTAINABLE
PRACTICES THAT SECURE
ENVIRONMENT FOR FUTURE
GENERATIONS.

OUR APPROACH

RDT promotes sustainable livelihoods by working with communities to adopt sustainable and practical solutions rooted in local realities. Our initiatives focus on long-term environmental health that include afforestation, natural resource conservation, organic farming, and waste management. By addressing agricultural challenges through sustainable practices, RDT supports farming communities to protect ecosystems while securing livelihoods for the future.

16,406,477

plants dibbled till date

4,10,000+

litres of milk produced everyday

1,22,000+

farmers directly benefitted

26,000+

farmers adopted Drip Irrigation Practices

4000+

villages involved in sustainable livelihood practices*

358+

crores of revenue generated by farmers through horticulture every year

2,897

members involved in the Ecology Development Committees*

LINES OF WORK

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COMMUNITY

Supporting sustainable practices for natural resource management by strengthening local institutions and collective responsibility of communities for a sustainable environment.

Through Ecology Development Committees, 2,800+ community members have taken collective responsibility in leading conservation of natural resources, addressing land degradation and desertification. Across villages, communities played an active role in the maintenance of over 3000+ check dams and percolation tanks built by RDT, consistently contributing to groundwater recharge and improved agricultural outcomes.

368 farmers adopted organic farming this year, strengthening a shared commitment to soil health and sustainable production. These collective practices have enabled communities to move away from inorganic practices towards sustainable farming methods.

SUSTAINABILITY

Promoting environmentally and economically sustainable practices that protect natural resources while securing long-term livelihoods.

RDT has dibbled 1,64,06,477 plants till 2024-25, improving green cover across villages, supporting ecosystem stability and climate conservation.

Till 2024-25, 26,092 drip irrigation systems and 14,459 sprinkler systems were provided to farmers, supporting the adoption of water-saving technologies and reducing pressure on limited water resources. In addition, 38,806 farmers have adopted horticulture practices, generating them a revenue of more than 358 crores and strengthening economic resilience through sustainable livelihood practices.

FUTURE

Preparing communities and ecosystems for future challenges through climate-resilient practices, renewable energy, diversified livelihoods and water conservation.

Preparing communities for future environmental challenges remains central to RDT's approach. Aimed at strengthening household resilience, 44,268 kitchen garden sets were distributed to families, encouraging sustainable cultivation practices and improving access to nutritious food.

Land development activities benefited 1,408 farmers and contributed to the expansion of cultivable land across 20 villages. In addition, field border bunds constructed covering 2,067 hectares of land in 2024-25 supported soil and water conservation efforts, helping farming communities adapt to changing environmental conditions and strengthen the long-term sustainability of their livelihoods.

Through the Manabhoomi initiative, 4,457 adults and students participated in environmental awareness sessions focused on natural resource conservation. In addition, distribution of more than 15,593 milk cattle to rural women over the years through our Ecology & Sustainable Livelihoods Programme has strengthened rural livelihoods and created sustainable sources of income through agriculture and allied activities.

04.

CHILD PROTECTION & EDUCATION

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TO ENSURE THAT CHILDREN
AND ADOLESCENTS, WITH AND
WITHOUT DISABILITIES, GROW
UP IN SAFE ENVIRONMENTS
WITH ACCESS TO EDUCATION,
CARE, AND EQUAL
OPPORTUNITIES THAT SUPPORT
THEIR HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT.

OUR APPROACH

RDT works to nurture the full potential of every child by ensuring equitable access to education, protection, and developmental opportunities. Through educational institutions, tuition centers and scholarships, children and youth with and without disabilities are supported to continue learning. Shelter homes provide safety and care for children in vulnerable situations, while sports and play programmes ensure access to sport. RDT also supports children in developing life skills that prepare them for the future.

1,00,000+

readers reached through RDT Mobile
Libraries improving language and literacy*

1,36,000+

children studied
across supplementary schools

9,80,000+

students supported with access
to higher education

43,980

bicycles distributed to facilitate
access to education

4,017

children with disabilities
provided with education
support and rehabilitation

82%

of 1,400+ students from
Language School secured
employment

2,00,000+

children and youth trained
through the sports programme

LINES OF WORK

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EDUCATE

Enabling children and young people to access education, mobility, and skills that remove barriers to learning and participation.

During the year, 11,441 students were supported through scholarships under the Special Education Programme, General Support Programme, and the Professional School of Foreign Languages, enabling continued access to higher education and professional pathways. In addition, 215 youth with disabilities received vocational education and skills training, strengthening their confidence and future employability.

Through the RDT Professional School of Foreign Languages, 29 students achieved B2-level proficiency in foreign languages for the first time, while 210 students completed the year long language course, equipping them with in-demand skills for the global workforce. In addition, 58 supplementary schools were supported with digital tools to enable a technology-driven learning environment for children. Till 2024-25, 43,980 bicycles were distributed to students, enabling safer and more reliable access to secondary education.

EQUIP

Improving inclusive learning environments and educational outcomes so all children can learn, grow, and progress together.

Through 15 schools and residential rehabilitation centres for children with disabilities, 1,220+ children receive education and rehabilitation services, enabling and strengthening inclusive education practices within mainstream classrooms.

With continued school-linked outreach and awareness initiatives, families and caregivers were encouraged to support regular school attendance, inclusive learning, and long-term educational planning. Over the years, these efforts have contributed to more than 1,500 students accessing higher and professional education, 147 students securing government employment, and over 590 students obtaining employment in the private sector.

DEVELOP

Supporting holistic development by nurturing physical, social, and leadership skills beyond academic learning.

Community participation remains central to RDT's approach. Through 3,282 Community Development Committees (CDCs), 22,258 community members continued to strengthen children's access to education and support their overall development in 2024-25. Working closely with families, schools, and local institutions, the committees encouraged regular school attendance, inclusive learning, and long-term educational planning, creating pathways to higher and professional education and employment opportunities.

Through the Sport for Development programme, 12,424 young athletes were supported across 10 sporting disciplines during 2024-25, strengthening discipline, teamwork, confidence, and resilience. Alongside sports training, more than 1,200 young people participated in skill development programmes, while over 100 youth received support to obtain coaching and referee licences till 2024-25. Over the years, these initiatives have contributed to the creation of more than 350 employment opportunities.

05.

SOCIAL & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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TO EQUIP INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES WITH THE TOOLS NEEDED TO DRIVE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, WHILE SUPPORTING PATHWAYS TOWARDS SELF-SUFFICIENCY AND A DIGNIFIED LIFE

OUR APPROACH

RDT supports rural communities by strengthening access to basic infrastructure and essential services, while expanding opportunities for income generation and sustainable livelihoods. Through collective ownership, awareness building, and the mobilisation of public resources, communities are supported to create shared social spaces for dialogue and decision-making. These platforms help communities build confidence, resilience, and the capacity to shape self-reliant futures.

8,018

PWDs started income-generation activities

59,579

toilets built*

88,370

houses built*

12,225

PWDs obtained MGNREGS job cards

15,562

people attended workshops on leadership and business management

22,258

participants in the Community Development Committees

95%

of new house owners are women

LINES OF WORK

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EQUITY

Expanding equitable access to livelihoods and income generation opportunities for individuals and families across generations.

Reaching 4,52,287 families across 3,900+ villages, RDT's programmes focus on ensuring equity for all. Through sustained disability-inclusive development initiatives and community-based livelihood programmes, in 2024-25, 12,225 persons with disabilities accessed employment opportunities through public schemes and income-linked initiatives; while 8,018 women and persons with disabilities were supported by RDT, through Income Generation Programmes, establishing sustainable sources of income, strengthening economic participation and financial stability.

Alongside efforts to strengthen economic participation, RDT continues to provide opportunities in sports for persons with intellectual disabilities. Till 2024-25, 63 athletes from RDT initiatives have represented India at the Special Olympics, bringing home 28 gold, 23 silver, and 21 bronze medals.

DIGNITY

Strengthening essential infrastructure for families and communities to ensure safe, healthy and dignified environments for all.

Recognising that accessible sanitation, hygiene, and safe drinking water are fundamental to living with dignity, RDT conducted 73 community workshops during the year, engaging families in discussions on sanitation, hygiene, and the importance of privacy for women and girls. Till date, 124 villages were equipped with water purification systems to improve access to safe drinking water, and over 59,570 bathroom cum toilets were built improving sanitation leading to better health & wellbeing among rural communities.

By linking awareness with access to basic facilities, communities were supported in adopting healthier practices that contribute to wellbeing and dignity. During 2024-25, 17 supplementary schools-cum-community centres and 1,338 houses were constructed for families, strengthening access to housing, and community spaces.

CHANGE

Building collective capacity within communities to identify challenges, address through local solutions and drive lasting social change.

Collectives built in shared responsibility play an important role in building community responsibility, local leadership, and inclusive participation. Leadership and skills-based workshops supported 15,562 participants to strengthen confidence and community engagement. This was further reinforced through 3,282 Community Development Committees with over 22,000 members and more than 1,900 Vikalangula Sanghams engaging 25,400+ persons with disabilities cumulatively, creating sustained platforms for representation and collective efforts.

BUILDING BRIDGES OF SOLIDARITY

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RUN FOR CHANGE:
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PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT:
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RUN FOR CHANGE: AUM 2025

The 10th edition of the Anantapur Ultramarathon concluded with solidarity and collective spirit. With over 120 runners from India and Spain, the 170 km relay run began at Venkatadatripalli and concluded at the RDT Bathalapalli Hospital. The route traced the commencement of RDT's work, passing through villages where the organisation's first health initiatives took root.

Ahead of the ultramarathon run, the Anantapur Ultramarathon Week brought together the wider community through the 10K Run, 5K Walk, and Community Run. Flagged off from the District Collectorate, these events saw over 300 participants come together on January 19th. The finish at the Anantapur Sports Village marked a morning filled with energy, shared effort, and inclusion, allowing people of all ages and abilities to participate in the event.

Together, the community running events and the ultramarathon reflect the spirit of Run for Change. More than a sporting event, the Anantapur Ultramarathon continues to serve as a platform for solidarity, bringing together individuals from different backgrounds to run for a shared cause.

**"THE 10TH EDITION
OF THE ANANTAPUR
ULTRAMARATHON
REFLECTS HOW A RUN
THAT BEGAN WITH ONE
RUNNER, INSPIRED BY
VICENTE FERRER'S VISION,
HAS GROWN INTO THE
INCREDIBLE SOLIDARITY
EVENT WE SEE TODAY."**

MONCHO FERRER,
PROGRAMME DIRECTOR, RDT.

PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT: INDIA FOR INDIA

On the 105th birth anniversary of our founder, Vicente Ferrer, communities across Andhra Pradesh and Telangana came together to honour his vision of dignity, equality, and shared responsibility. Rooted in the belief that change begins within communities, the India For India initiative once again reflected the strength of collective effort.

People from over 3,200+ villages participated in the initiative, opening 1,70,000+ Seva Hundis to support RDT's development programmes. Led by the people and sustained through voluntary participation, India For India continues to stand as a grassroots movement where giving becomes a shared act of responsibility.

Through every contribution, communities reaffirm the belief in themselves that lasting change is built when individuals come together, choose to help others, and take ownership of the development journey.

Celebrations were held in 3200+ villages across Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, and 6,80,000+ people participated by opening 1,70,000+ Seva Hundis on the occasion.

**"I'VE LEARNED THAT
TOGETHER, WE CAN SOLVE
ANY ISSUE. DONATING
INDIVIDUALLY MAY ONLY
HELP A FEW, BUT WHEN WE
COME TOGETHER, IT HELPS
MANY PEOPLE."**

LATHA,
20-YEAR-OLD, KADIRI



FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS OF RDT

- Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation Limited (APSHCL)
- The Association of People with Disability India (APD India)
- Bhavishyath Counselling
- E- Parisaara
- IFLAC (Institute of Foreign Language and Culture)
- Indian Wheelchair Tennis Tour (IWTT)
- Sankalp India Foundation
- Simply Sports Foundation
- Soil and Health- Compostaing Solutions
- Special Olympics Bharat
- Sri Chaitanya Educational Institutions
- Sri Krishnadevaraya University
- Youth4Jobs
- Asociación Egala
- Friends of RDT (UK)
- Fundació Barça - FC Barcelona
- Fundació Vicente Ferrer (Spain)
- LALIGA
- Fundació LALIGA
- Mobility India
- Fundació Rafa Nadal
- Generalitat Valenciana

- Spanish National Research Council (CSIC)
- Vicente Ferrer Stiftung (Germany)
- Swiss Academy For Development
- TAGUA
- The Anganwadi Project (Australia)
- Vicente Ferrer Foundation (US)

CSR

- Alisha Torrent Closures India Private Limited
- Curia India Private Limited
- DQ Software
- Hyundai Glovis Anantapur India Private Limited
- LIC HFL
- We Are Water Foundation (India)
- Godfrey Phillips India Ltd.
- Feeding India
- Pernod Ricard India Foundation
- NSIL (Newspace India Limited)
- Karna Vidya Foundation

ALIGNED WITH THE GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS AND SCHEMES TO ENSURE ACCESS TO HEALTH

- Andhra Pradesh State Aids Control Society (APSACS) through National Aids Control Organization (NACO) – Ananthapuramu (DT); Sri Sathya Sai (DT), AP
- Child Welfare Committee, Ananthapuramu (DT) & Sri Sathya Sai (DT), AP
- District Medical and Health Office (DM&HO) – Ananthapuramu (DT); Sri Sathya Sai (DT), AP
- District Women & Child Development AgencyDW & CDA - Ananthapuramu (DT) & Sri Sathya Sai (DT), AP
- Government Children Immunization Program - Ananthapuramu (DT) & Sri Sathya Sai (DT), AP
- Health Medical and Family Welfare Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh (AP))
- Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Ananthapuramu (DT) & Sri Sathya Sai (DT), AP
- Revised National TB Control Program (RNTCP) – Ananthapuramu (DT) & Sri Sathya Sai (DT), AP

GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Mr. M Thippeswamy
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Trustee



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Trustee



Dr. Harinarayana Chinthakunta
Trustee

MANAGEMENT



Mrs. Anne Ferrer
Executive Director



Mr. Moncho Ferrer
Programme Director

SENIOR CORE TEAM

The overall executive body of the organisation for policy and decision-making.

GENERAL CORE TEAM

To guide and monitor the work in all programmes and sectors across the different regions.

WOMEN CORE TEAM

The platform for women at all levels in the organisation to discuss gender-related issues and promote women’s skills and leadership capacities.

STAFF AT RDT

2,066 EMPLOYEES

54%

OF OUR
EMPLOYEES
ARE WOMEN

43%

OF WOMEN
IN LEADERSHIP
POSITIONS

4.65%

OF OUR
EMPLOYEES
ARE PERSONS
WITH
DISABILITIES

FINANCIAL AUDIT



V. K. MADHAVA RAO & CO.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Independent Auditors' Report

To,

The Board of Trustees,
Rural Development Trust,
Bengaluru Road,
Ananthapuramu – 515 001.
Andhra Pradesh.

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

I. OPINION :

We have audited the attached Financial Statements of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT TRUST, Ananthapuramu hereinafter called the "TRUST"** which comprise the Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2025 and also the statement of Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of Significant Accounting Policies and other explanatory information, which have been prepared by the Board Of Trustees of the Trust in accordance with basis for preparation described in note 2 (a) to the Financial Statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial Statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Trust as at 31st March, 2025 and of its excess of Income over Expenditure for the year then ended in accordance with the basis for preparation described in note 2(a) to the Financial Statements and the



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applicable Accounting Standards issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. (ICAI) for Level II entity.

II. BASIS FOR OPINION:

We conducted the audit in accordance with auditing standards on Auditing (SAs) issued by ICAI. Our Responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements Section of our report. We are independent of the Trust in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by ICAI that are relevant to our audit and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

III. Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements:

Management is responsible for preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs, results of operations and cash flows of the Trust in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records for safeguarding of the assets of the Trust and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring





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the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, Management is responsible for assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Management either intends to liquidate the Trust or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Management is also responsible for overseeing the Trust's financial reporting process.

IV. Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements:

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.



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As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the effectiveness of the Trust's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that





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may cast significant doubt on the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Trust to cease to continue as a going concern.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

For and on behalf of
M/s. **V.K.Madhava Rao & Co.,**
Chartered Accountants,
Firm Registration No:001908S


(**V.M. SUDHAKAR**)
Proprietor



Place : Secunderabad
Date : 27th October, 2025

(Membership No : 202151)
UDIN – 25202151BNINWK5322

RURAL DEVELOPMENT TRUST :: ANANTHAPURAMU

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended : 31.03.2025

(Amount in Rs.)

Particulars	Note No.	Unrestricted		Restricted	
		For the Year ended 31.03.2025	For the Year ended 31.03.2024	For the Year ended 31.03.2025	For the Year ended 31.03.2024
<u>Income :</u>					
Donations and Grants	XI	154,97,68,849.10	71,11,23,213.79	13,18,52,100.85	8,50,88,522.81
Fees from rendering Services [Non Business nature]	XII	21,67,37,842.41	25,42,06,876.64	-	-
Sale of Goods [Non Business nature]	XIII	15,95,66,356.28	15,63,28,693.87	-	-
Other Income	XIV	59,83,94,585.24	65,74,52,797.36	-	-
Total Income :		252,44,67,633.03	177,91,11,581.66	13,18,52,100.85	8,50,88,522.81
<u>Expenses :</u>					
Material consumed/distributed	XV	15,53,34,250.14	15,51,45,647.24	-	-
Donations/contributions paid		-	-	-	-
Employee benefits expense	XVI	71,08,12,010.52	76,83,53,763.14	36,37,920.25	6,86,775.00
Depreciation and amortization expense	XVII	14,89,60,187.97	14,68,45,470.26	-	-
Finance costs					
<u>Other expenses :</u>					
Charitable expenses	XVI	89,53,50,005.15	197,18,03,137.32	9,18,53,699.77	4,32,13,204.91
Other Expenses		21,61,21,577.21	32,82,40,791.45	27,29,782.00	4,51,230.00
Total Expenses : Rs.		212,65,78,030.99	337,03,88,809.41	9,82,21,402.02	4,43,51,209.91

Particulars	Note No.	Unrestricted		Restricted	
		For the Year ended 31.03.2025	For the Year ended 31.03.2024	For the Year ended 31.03.2025	For the Year ended 31.03.2024
Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year before exceptional and extraordinary items (III- IV)		39,78,89,602.04	-159,12,77,227.75	3,36,30,698.83	4,07,37,312.90
Exceptional items (specify nature & provide note/delete if none)		-	-	-	-
		39,78,89,602.04	-159,12,77,227.75	3,36,30,698.83	4,07,37,312.90
Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year before extraordinary items (V-VI)		39,78,89,602.04	-159,12,77,227.75	3,36,30,698.83	4,07,37,312.90
Extraordinary Items (specify nature & provide note/delete if none)		-	-	-	-
Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year (VII-VIII)		39,78,89,602.04	-159,12,77,227.75	3,36,30,698.83	4,07,37,312.90
Appropriations Transfer to funds, e.g., Building fund		-	-	-	-
Transfer from funds		-	-	-	-
Balance transferred to General Fund		39,78,89,602.04	-159,12,77,227.75	3,36,30,698.83	4,07,37,312.90
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements					

As per our report of even date attached
for M/S V.K.MADHAVA RAO & Co.,
Chartered Accountants
ICAI Firm Registration No : 001908S


V.M. SUDHAKAR
Proprietor
Membership No : 202151



RURAL DEVELOPMENT TRUST :: ANANTHAPURAMU

Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2025

(Amount in Rs.)

Particulars	Note Nos.	As at 31.03.2025	As at 31.03.2024
<u>Source of Funds</u>			
<u>NPO' Funds</u>			
<u>Unrestricted Funds :</u>			
Corpus Funds	III	100,50,00,000.00	100,50,00,000.00
General Funds		136,18,23,652.16	116,54,10,157.29
Reserve Funds		488,15,18,711.09	484,20,03,140.58
Form 10 Funds		60,50,00,000.00	44,50,00,000.00
Capital Fund (Fixed Assets Matching Fund)		256,31,27,193.85	256,27,49,972.08
Restricted Funds		-	-
Sub Total : Rs.		1,041,64,69,557.10	1,002,01,63,269.95
<u>Non-Current Liabilities</u>			
Long Term Borrowings		-	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities		-	-
Advances from Govt. & Other Institutions	IV	-	-
Long-Term Provisions	IV	37,31,66,239.42	34,74,91,712.29
Sub Total : Rs.		37,31,66,239.42	34,74,91,712.29

Particulars	Note Nos.	As at 31.03.2025	As at 31.03.2024
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
Borrowings		-	-
Payables		-	-
Other Current Liabilities	V	238,00,827.00	224,99,120.00
Short-term Provisions		-	-
Sub Total : Rs.		2,38,00,827.00	2,24,99,120.00
Grand Total : Rs.		1,081,34,36,623.52	1,039,01,54,102.24
<u>Application of Funds</u>			
Non Current Assets			
<u>Property, Plant and Equipment and Intangible assets</u>			
Property, Plant and Equipment	VI	246,20,71,662.88	247,33,96,498.07
Intangible Assets		2,46,556.00	1,87,032.00
Capital Work-in-Progress		10,08,08,974.97	891,66,442.01
Intangible Assets under development		-	-
Non - Current Investments		-	-
Long-Term Loans and Advances		-	-
Other Long-Term Assets (specify nature)		-	-
Sub Total : Rs.		256,31,27,193.85	256,27,49,972.08

Particulars	Note Nos.	As at 31.03.2025	As at 31.03.2024
Current Assets :			
Current Investments		-	-
Inventories	VII	3,69,67,953.25	3,36,34,139.55
Receivables	VIII	10,38,97,997.20	9,53,15,869.00
Cash and Bank Balances	IX	795,52,45,178.34	752,07,04,309.56
Short Term Loans and Advances	X	15,41,98,300.88	17,77,49,812.05
Other Current Assets		-	-
Sub Total : Rs.		825,03,09,429.67	782,74,04,130.16
Grand Total : Rs.		1,081,34,36,623.52	1,039,01,54,102.24
Brief about the Entity	I	-	-
Summary of significant accounting policies	II		
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements			

As per our report of even date attached
for M/S V.K.MADHAVA RAO & Co.,
Chartered Accountants
ICAI Firm Registration No : 001908S


V.M. SUDHAKAR
Proprietor
Membership No : 202151





Rural Development Trust (RDT) is registered under the Indian Registration Act, 1908 and 12A of the Income Tax Act. Donations to RDT are exempt under Section 80G of the Income Tax Act. RDT is registered under FCRA.

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