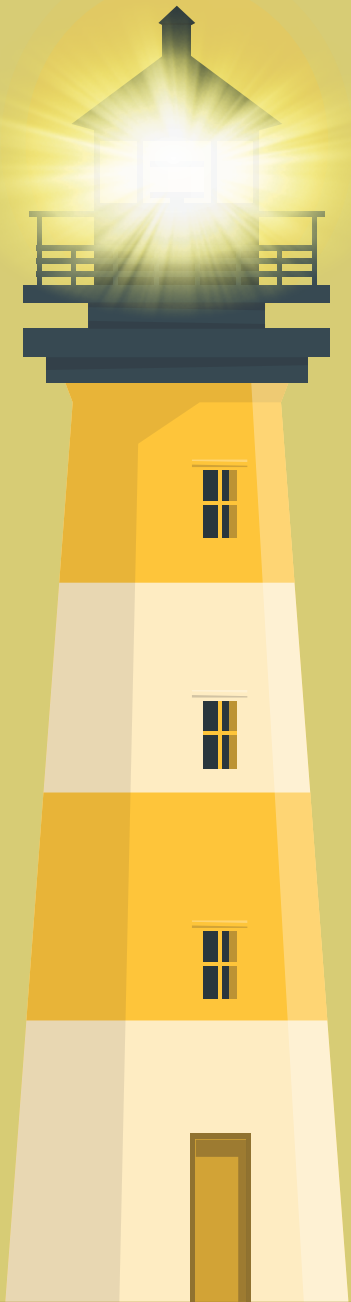


DEEPSTAMBH FOUNDATION

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ABOUT DEEPSTAMBH MANOBAL

Where Support Usually Ends, Manobal Begins

In India, most social and educational support systems end when a young person turns eighteen. For persons with disabilities, orphaned youth, transgender individuals, and those from economically weaker sections, this transition often leads to exclusion rather than independence.

Founded in 2005 in Jalgaon, Maharashtra, Deepstambh Foundation was established to address this critical gap. What began as a career guidance initiative for rural and tribal youth evolved into a focused response to structural inequality rooted in the belief that talent does not fail; systems do.

Through its flagship initiative, Manobal, Deepstambh works with youth above eighteen from four underprivileged backgrounds

Persons with Disabilities

Orphans

Transgender Individuals

Economically Weaker Sections

Manobal follows a fully residential, free, and holistic model, combining competitive exam training and higher education support with emotional stability, discipline, routine, and a strong sense of belonging. More importantly, Manobal thrives to bring these communities into mainstream of the society.



The first residential campus at Jalgaon (2014) established an accessible and inclusive model where dignity and academic excellence coexist. As its impact grew, Manobal expanded to Pune (2018) and now it will extend its mission on the national level by opening up a campus in Delhi.

Since inception, Deepstambh Manobal has supported over 2,200 students, with hundreds securing positions in government services, public institutions, and professional roles. At any given time, nearly 500 students live and learn across Manobal campuses.

In 2023, Deepstambh Foundation received the National Award for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities from the Hon'ble President of India, recognising its sustained and transformative work. Founder Shri Yajurvendra Mahajan has also been conferred several national and state honours for his contribution to inclusive education and social transformation.

Deepstambh Foundation's work contributes directly to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 4 (Quality Education), SDG 5 (Gender Equality), SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), and SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities).

Beyond recognition, Deepstambh Manobal remains defined by its long-term commitment: accompanying students from uncertainty to stability, and ensuring that no one is excluded simply because society has not yet learned how to include them.



VISION

To build an ecosystem that enables the development of physically, socially, and economically deprived youth and promotes an inclusive society with equal opportunity for all.

MISSION

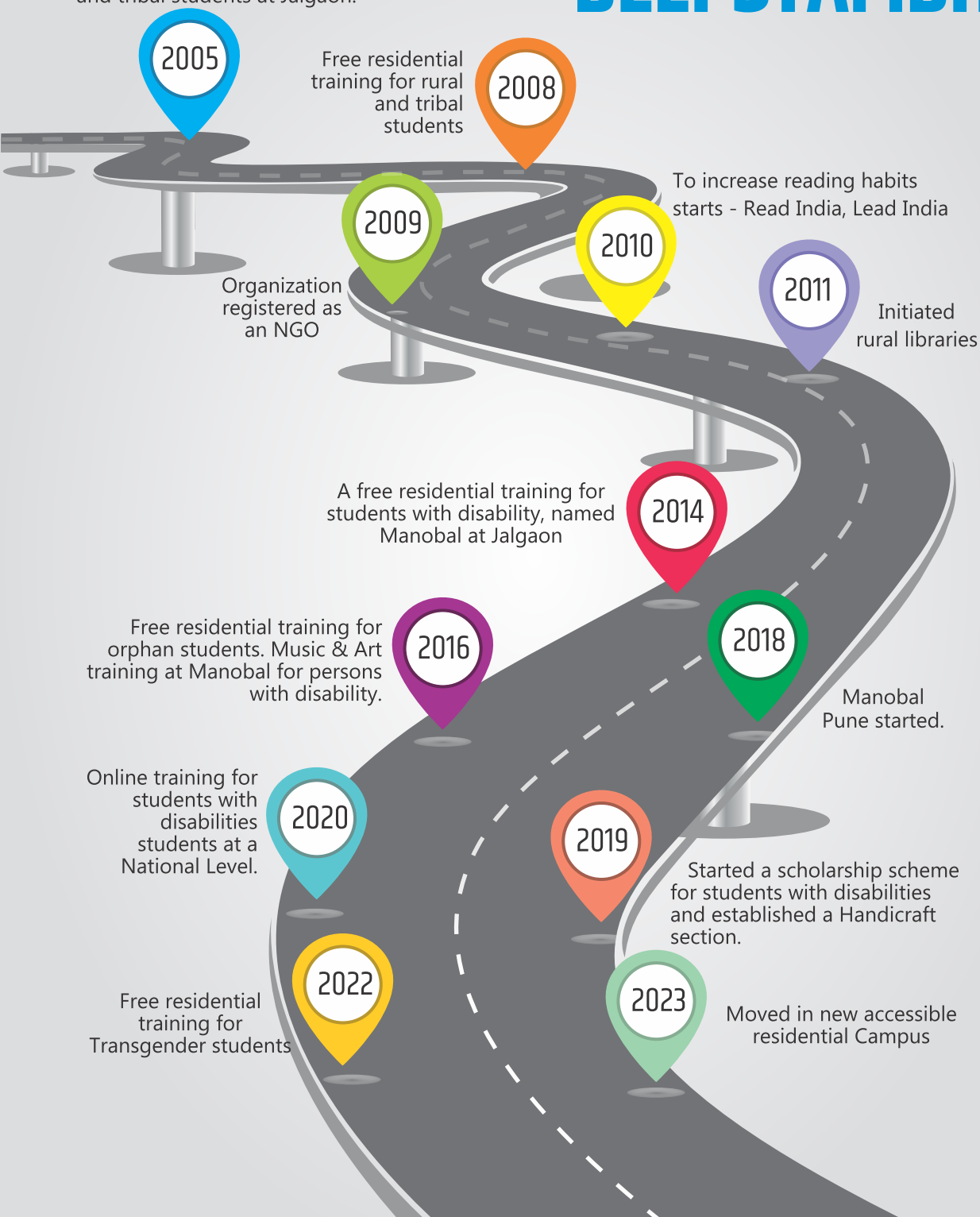
To empower persons with disabilities, orphans, transgender individuals, and economically underprivileged students by providing quality residential education and employment-oriented opportunities that support holistic development.

CORE VALUES

- Empathy
- Gratitude
- Integrity
- Excellence
- Courage

Journey starts by Competitive examinations guidance, career counselling, personality development etc. courses for rural and tribal students at Jalgaon.

Journey of DEEPSTAMBH



MESSAGE FROM LEADERSHIP

As Deepstambh Foundation completes fifteen years, the year 2024–25 marked an important phase of growth and consolidation. During this period, the Manobal Pune project was expanded, while preparations were simultaneously initiated to launch the Delhi project.

Alongside expansion, focused efforts were made to strengthen internal systems and processes, with guidance from experienced professionals such as Ajay Sathe and Hina Kotwal. These efforts aim to ensure that Manobal grows not only in scale, but also in quality and sustainability.

Manobal represents the country's first structured experiment in inclusive and accessible higher education at the residential level. Our focus is on developing this initiative into a replicable model. Today, our students are contributing across diverse fields

such as administration, banking, IIMs, corporate organisations, and grassroots government offices.

As a result, long-standing misconceptions are gradually being challenged. The narrative is shifting from the belief that “young people from these underprivileged background can not do much” to the realisation that these young people are fully capable of excellence when given the right opportunities.



– Shri Yajurvendra Mahajan

Where Support Usually Ends, Manobal Begins



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Academic Head, Delhi

EDUCATION, ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES & Infrastructure

Residential Competitive Examination Training

Deepstambh Manobal provides full-time residential training for major competitive examinations, including UPSC, MPSC, SSC, Banking, Railways, and Direct Services.

Students receive:

- Structured academic training
- Accessible study materials
- Scribe support and assistive technology
- Full residential facilities including accommodation, food, and mentoring

This integrated approach ensures that students can focus fully on preparation without the burden of financial or accessibility barriers.

Entrance Examination 2024–25

The Manobal National Entrance Examination was conducted offline across 13 centres.

1,642

Students appeared for the examination

80

Students were admitted to the Jalgaon campus

100

Students were admitted to the Pune campus

Pune Project: Residential Infrastructure

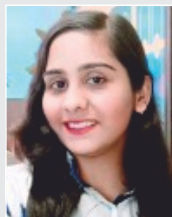
During 2024–25, the Pune project operated through two rented residential campuses, with an approved student intake capacity of 120 students. In response to growing demand, plans are in place to rent two additional residential campuses, which will enable the project to expand its capacity to 180 students in the coming phase.

The Manobal programme in Pune has received an encouraging response from students and communities across the district, indicating a strong need for structured, inclusive residential education facilities. This demand has reaffirmed the relevance of the Manobal model in urban Maharashtra.

Building on this momentum, the leadership at Deepstambh Manobal has envisioned the development of a high-technology, fully inclusive residential campus in Pune, on the lines of the Jalgaon campus. In the upcoming year, the focus will be on conceptualising this long-term campus, with the objective of extending accessible, high-quality residential education to a larger number of students from across India.



STUDENT SUCCESS STORIES



Mohini Sharma

System Manager, SBI
Visually Impaired
Economically Weaker Background

Mohini Sharma is a visually impaired student from an economically weaker background who was raised by her mother along with two brothers after being abandoned by her father. Despite social, financial, and accessibility challenges, she remained committed to building a stable and dignified professional career.

She completed her schooling at NAB Delhi School and went on to earn an M.A. (Honours) in English. After appearing for multiple competitive examinations, including IBPS Clerk and IBPS P.O., she successfully cleared the SBI Probationary Officer examination in April 2023 on her third attempt.

During her preparation, Mohini received consistent support from Deepstambh Foundation in the form of academic mentoring, mock tests, interview preparation, psychological counselling, and continuous moral guidance. She is currently posted in Delhi as a System Manager at the State Bank of India, reflecting the impact of perseverance combined with inclusive institutional support.

Suraj Tiwari

Officer, Indian
Information Service (IIS)
Person with
Multiple Disabilities



Suraj Tiwari's life changed dramatically in 2017 when he survived a severe train accident near Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh, resulting in the loss of both legs below the knee, his right arm, and two fingers of his left hand. The incident marked a turning point that tested his physical and emotional resilience.

A postgraduate in Russian from Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), Suraj chose to prepare independently for the UPSC Civil Services Examination through self-study, without formal coaching. His disciplined preparation led to success in his very first attempt.

In the 2022 UPSC examination, Suraj secured All India Rank 917 and currently serves as an officer in the Indian Information Service (IIS). His journey exemplifies courage, determination, and the power of self-belief in overcoming extraordinary adversity.

STUDENT SUCCESS STORIES



Rajesh Pillay

Software Engineer,
Tata Consultancy Services
Orphan
Orthopedically Challenged

Rajesh Pillay was born an orphan and without hands, growing up without the social and economic support systems that many take for granted. From an early age, his life was shaped by resilience and a determination to achieve independence through education.

His association with Deepstambh Manobal provided him access to an inclusive learning environment that recognised his potential and supported his aspirations. With sustained guidance and training, Rajesh pursued his goal of becoming an engineer.

Today, Rajesh works as a Software Engineer at Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), performing coding and computer-based tasks using his legs. His professional journey challenges conventional perceptions of disability and stands as a testament to adaptability, discipline, and opportunity.



Veena Kashid

Electrical Instructor,
PSI & Vocational
Training Department
Transgender Individual

Veena Kashid faced rejection, isolation, and social exclusion from an early age. After losing both parents, she encountered multiple barriers linked to her gender identity and lack of institutional support, making stability and direction difficult to achieve.

Her association with Deepstambh Manobal provided a safe and structured environment where she could rebuild confidence, access education, and develop professional skills. Over time, this support enabled her to regain a sense of purpose and self-worth.

Today, Veena serves as an Electrical Instructor in the PSI and Vocational Training Department. She remains committed to guiding students facing similar challenges, and for her, Deepstambh represents a space of renewal, dignity, and strength.

STUDENT WELL-BEING & HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT

Physical & Mental Health



◀ Inclusive
Yoga
(certified
batches)



◀ Meditation
and
wellness
sessions

▶ Vaccination
drives
(Rubella,
Cervical
Cancer)



▶ REBT
mental
health
workshops



Digital & Life Skills



◀ Computer
literacy
programmes



◀ Digital
freelancing
exposure

▶ Communication
and
confidence
building
workshops



CULTURE, COMMUNITY & IDENTITY

Student-led Celebrations



Independence Day



Ganpati Utsav (eco-friendly)



Raksha Bandhan



Prakash Pujan & Diwali & cultural events

Alumnae & Belonging : Maze Maher Deepstambh



Homecoming of 45 women alumni



Mentorship, emotional bonding, intergenerational learning

VISITS, ENGAGEMENTS & GOODWILL INTERACTIONS

Government & Administration



IPS Manoj Kumar Sharma, IRS Shraddha Sharma
Shri. Samrat Fadnis



Shri. Rajesh Aggarwal
Chief Secretary of Maharashtra

Institutions & Thought Leaders



Padma Vibhushan
Shri. Raghunath Mashelkar



Shri. Nitin Kareer
Former Chief Secretary, Maharashtra

CSR & Foundations



Smt. Shilpa Devdhar,
CSR Head Bosch



Shri. Kurush Irani, Bajaj Finserv President
Group Head of CSR at Bajaj Finserv Limited.

EVENTS, PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & ADVOCACY



Student Success Felicitation



Daan Utsav participation



Maha Katta (ABP Majha)



Swayam Talks – Jalgaon

PARTNERS, DONORS & SUPPORTERS

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our esteemed CSR funding partners for their unwavering commitment to transforming lives. Your invaluable support has played a pivotal role in building a brighter future for divyang, orphan, transgender, and economically weaker students. Through your generosity, we are collectively fostering inclusivity and empowering these individuals to overcome challenges and pursue their dreams.

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GOVERNANCE & TRANSPARENCY

All figures (Rs.) in Lakhs

Income	Rs.	Liabilities	Rs.
By Donations in cash or kind	891.05	Trust Funds or Corpus	2402.84
By Interest Income	6.11	Income & Expenditure A/c	258.70
By Income from other Sources	1.01	Provisions	4.46
		Sundry Creditors	-5.97
Total	898.17	Total	2660.04
Expenditure	Rs.	Assets	Rs.
Administrative & Expenses on		Fixed Assets	2443.00
Objects of Trust		Fixed deposits with banks & others	94.76
To Jalgaon - Establishment Expenses	103.76	Loans & Advances	3.57
To Jalgaon - Student related Expenses	442.46	Deposits	4.66
To Pune - Admin Expenses	71.73	Other current Assets	4.15
To Pune - Educational Expenses	59.86	Cash & Bank Balances	109.89
To Pune - Other operating cost	44.35	Total	2660.04
To Pune - General Expenses	38.76		
To Depreciation	113.88		
Surplus Carried over to balance sheet	23.37		
Total	898.17		

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Jain And Runwal

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THE ROAD AHEAD

As Deepstambh Manobal concludes another year in the journey of inclusive & accessible education, the path ahead reflects both continuity and careful expansion. The Manobal project is set to be launched in New Delhi, following strong interest from students across twelve neighbouring states. This response has reaffirmed the relevance of the Manobal model beyond regional boundaries, and plans are underway not only to initiate the Delhi project, but to steadily expand its reach in the coming period.

In Pune, the Foundation is preparing for a long-term transition from rented facilities to permanent infrastructure. Plans are in place to purchase land through public participation, with construction proposed to begin in May 2026. Alongside this, the formal inauguration of the Deepstambh Manobal Jalgaon campus is also envisaged, marking an important milestone in the journey of the institution.

Looking forward, Pune is also expected to host a Centre of Excellence, envisioned as a dedicated space for advanced training in technology and

management aligned with emerging corporate sector requirements. The coming year will therefore place particular emphasis on policy engagement and technology integration, strengthening Manobal's ability to respond to evolving educational and employment landscapes.

Beyond national boundaries, Deepstambh continues to explore ways to build global solidarity around inclusion. In the coming years, a USA tour is proposed, with at least two students participating in programmes planned across twelve cities. These engagements aim to expand the volunteer network and deepen the scope of Deepstambh USA, creating new avenues for collaboration and learning.

As the organisation moves forward, its purpose remains unchanged: to ensure that students from the most marginalised backgrounds are not left behind, but are supported with dignity, opportunity, and long-term care. The year ahead is not just about growth in scale, but about strengthening the foundations of an inclusive future.



Successful Students



Jamadar Farhan Irfan
Locomotive Disability
(IAS)



Ayush Agrawal
Visually Impaired
(IAS)



Dr. Praveen Singh Charan
Visually Impaired
(IRS)



Priyanka Mohite
EWS
(IPS)



Suresh Borkar
EWS
(IPS)



Shravan Deshmukh
Locomotive Disability
(IRS)



Pritesh Baviskar
EWS
(IRS)



Parth Chavda
EWS
(IRS)



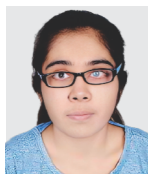
Bhanu Sharma
Multiple Disabled
(IAS)



Ritik Goyal
Visually Impaired
(IBPS-PO)



Ganesh Phalke
Visually Impaired
(IBPS-PO)



Hanika Ghyamlani
Visually Impaired
(IBPS-PO)



Amar Ingle
Visually Impaired
(IBPS-PO)



Vaishnavi Gole
Visually Impaired
(All India Insurance)



Swati More
Visually Impaired
(P.O.)



Nandkishore Hadke
EWS
(Intelligence Bureau)



Sanjivani Borkar
EWS (Clerk,
Bombay High Court)



Vaibhav Oorphan
Orphan
(Canal Inspector)



Vishal Shelar
Orthopedically Challenged
(Gold medal Para Cycling)



Bhupali Pawar
Low Vision
(Investigator Maha. Govt)



Dipali Molavne
Visually Impaired
(ZP Teacher)



Vajinath Maruti Sarang
Orphan
(SRPF)



Himanshu Bokade
Low Vision
(Azim Premji University)

Donation Options for Food, Residence & Training

- One day breakfast for all - <7,000
- One time meal for all - <21,000
- Recorder or mobile to visually impaired student - <21,000
- One Laptop for a visually impaired student - <60,000
- MPSC annual fees for a student - <50,000
- UPSC annual fees for a student - <1,00,000
- Banking, SSC etc. Courses fees for a student - <30,000
- Annual meal expenses for a student - <42,000
- Annual residential and meal expenses - <75,000
- Adopting one Child for one year (residential, meal & education expenses) - <1,50,000

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You will get a receipt and 80G benefit for donation extended.

- You can donate meals, essentials, food, fruits, clothes, books to celebrate birthdays, marriages, of in fond remembrance of loved ones.
- The 13 Directors of the foundation do not take any remuneration. They extend donation to the foundation every year.

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Manobal India

Introduction
of students
from all states
of country

