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NEWS UPDATE

“Every child deserves a champion – an adult who will never give up on them.” – Rita Pierson

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Every meaningful change begins with an opportunity to learn, grow and thrive. This quarter, we witnessed how collective action can create such opportunities across classrooms, communities and institutions. From strengthening foundational learning and empowering educators to nurturing future leaders, bringing culture into classrooms, and advancing educator wellbeing, our partner organisations continued to turn shared aspirations into meaningful action. Here are some highlights from the second quarter of FY 2026-27.

Alumni Building Leadership Pathways

Alumni of Teach For India, partner organization supported by MIF, are designing and committing to new work in the education ecosystem. The 2026-27 Creator Track cycle closed this quarter, with Alumni proposing Communities of Practice (CoPs) on Child Safety, Holistic Learning, Transformational Leadership, and Student Voice and Partnership. Of the 14 applications received, 8 CoPs were selected, involving 17 Alumni.



RESET: Re-imagining Education System Transformation

This quarter marked RESET's shift from evidence generation to execution, with the launch of Project RESET, a state partnership in Uttarakhand with our partner organisation Network for Quality Education's first cluster-level redrawing of the school map. The launch focused RESET's work on Access to Learning Ready Schools at Scale, which studies how school networks can be redrawn so that every child can reliably reach a learning-ready school.



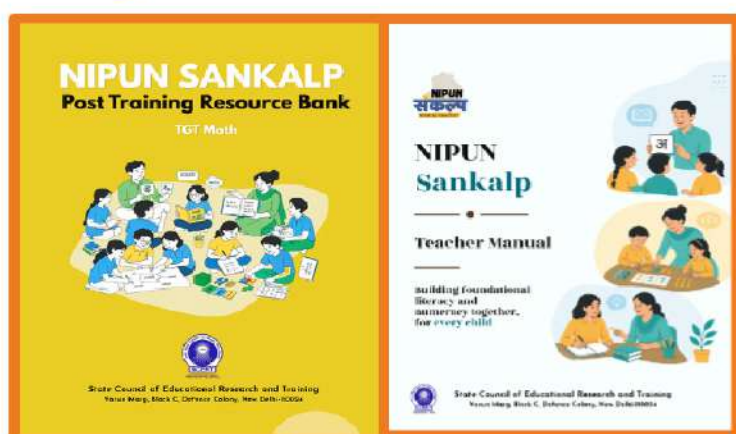
Ideas That Transform Learning

Our partner organization Opportunity Circle Foundation chose 24 grantees of the 200 applications inviting educators and change-makers to test ideas that can improve learning. The programme combines capacity-building, workshops and advocacy with grants support promising micro-innovations in schools and communities.



Induction session of the cohort marking the start of the grant's programming and learning journey.

Training to Practice



Snapshot of Post Training Resource Bank and Teacher Manual

Our partner organisation Simple Education Foundation in collaboration with State Council of Educational Research and Training developed accessible resources, NIPUN Saarthi Teacher Guides for primary and upper primary educators. Master Trainers were provided with consolidated training packages for further dissemination and continued application of learning beyond the formal training.

Leadership Meets Purpose

Our partner organization India Leaders for Social Sector (ILSS) conducted the tenth cohort of its Board Leadership Program (BLP) this quarter graduating 13 participants. The initiative continues to connect senior corporate C-suite professionals (prospective advisers) who are committed to contributing their expertise and skills towards nation-building by serving on social enterprise boards with organisations in not for profit sector seeking expertise in strategy, governance, fundraising, communications and scale.



BLP participants engaging in sessions and field visits

Finding Her Voice



Kritika* joined CM SHRI school in Grade 11 in academic year 2026. In a short time, she has engaged with the school's arts, sports and co-curricular opportunities, including representing the school at the FICCI ARISE conclave and presenting a satellite-based farming solutions model to ISRO officials.

Kritika's Testimonial "Coming from a private school, I didn't expect a government school to give me this much exposure. In just a few months, I've done debates, presentations, workshops and sports, things I never got the chance to do before. Presenting in front of the jury at the conclave was nerve-wracking, but it pushed me to organise my thoughts and speak with confidence in front of people who actually mattered. The school has given me so many of these moments in such a short time, and each one has made me a little more confident than before."

*Name changed

From joyful classrooms and culturally rich learning experiences to stronger nonprofit leadership, educator-led innovation Q2 reflects the value of sustained partnerships. We thank our partner organisations, educators, community members and supporters for their continued commitment to building more inclusive opportunities for children, young people and communities.

In quarter 2 FY 2026-27, MIF supported 1.65 lakh beneficiaries, and 42.6 million beneficiaries have been impacted since 2019 under MIF 2.0

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