



Impact Report 2023-2025

Empowering Dreams. Transforming Futures.

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Impact in Numbers

- 🎓 150 Students Awarded PRAN Scholarships
- 🏫 95% Students from Rural Ayodhya
- 📖 85% Students Achieved Above 90% in High School Examinations
- 💰 ₹15 Lakhs+ Invested in Scholarships
- 🤝 50+ Dedicated Teachers Across blocks of Ayodhya

Growth Timeline: Past, Present & Future



PAST • 2023

- Incorporated PRAN Foundation under Section 18a
- Vikas Pandey (Ayodhya native) enlisted IIT Bombay fellows to support marginalized students



PRESENT • 2024

- Government teachers in Ayodhya ran rural exam centers; interviews held in Ayodhya city
- Application growth:
 - Year 1: 300
 - Year 2: 600
 - Year 3: 1,200
- First-tier exam held in March; two-tier exams on April 27 under-Vikas's supervision
- Funding to date: primarily IIT Bombay



FUTURE • 2025

- Establish a free Skill Development Centre in Ayodhya
- Train rural youth as employable technicians and electricians
- Scale up scholarships, mentorships; and CSR partnerships to empower even more students

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for list of recipients and media coverage.

Stories of Change

Transforming lives through your support

PRAN Foundation is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to transforming lives through education and research.

Through our flagship **PRAN Scholarship Program**, we support talented students from rural Ayodhya, enabling access to quality schooling for Classes 9–12. Over the past two years, our scholars have achieved outstanding academic results, overcoming significant financial and social barriers.

To further expand opportunities, we launched the ASPIRE Life Sciences Internship Program, offering hands-on research exposure to master's students.

Our holistic model — financial assistance, mentorship, skills training, and career pathways — empowers young individuals to envision and build brighter futures.

In this Impact Report (2023–2025), we celebrate the journeys of resilience, achievement, and transformation made possible by our partners and supporters.

PRAN Foundation ASPIRE JOURNEY

Empowering Rural Students

1

APPLICATION & EXAM

Students apply online via
Google Forms
Exams at rural centers for easy acc



12
rural centers



50
selected

₹ 6,000/yr
cumulative

2

INTERVIEW

Shortlisted students go through
Stage 2 interview
50 students selected for Class 9

3

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

₹ 6,000 per year for Class 9 students
Regular exams to monitor growth

4

SCHOLARSHIP EXPANSION

Scholarships extended annually
Around 200 students supported
cumulatively

6

CAREER MENTORING

Mentoring after Class 12 to
become engineers, researchers,

7

SPECIAL PROVISION

+5 bonus marks awarded to

MONTHLY MOTIVATIONAL LECTURES

Lectures by
engineers.
doctors, teachers,
scholars

SPECIAL PROVISION

+5 bonus marks
awarded to

- Students
without parents
- Differently-
abled students

Our Achievements

Making a difference together this year

Key Initiatives



donors

50



volunteers

250+



beneficiaries

120+

Community Engagement Programs



participants

1200 applications this year



satisfaction rate

Our first batch students have scored 90% marks, in UP board

Our Team in Ayodhya

Government teachers shaping the future of students



Vijay Pratap Singh



Sanjay Agrhari



Umesh Verma



Ankit Prabhakar



Shivam Sahu



Vipin Pandey

Our Core Team

Researchers across the globe



Dr. Sameer Tiwari
George mason University, USA



Dr. Anshu Shukla
NUS, Singapore



Suman Dutta
Oxford University, UK



Sudipto Biswas
Harvard Universsity, USA



Aditya Jhunjunwala
University of California San Diego, USA



Prince Kumar
Terracon Consultants Inc.

Student's Success

Student Name	Total Marks (out of 600)	Percentage (%)
Nidhika Rawat	557	92.83%
Yashasvi Yadav	556	92.67%
Ritesh Kumar	555	92.50%
Sanjay Kumar	543	90.50%
Laxman	528	88.00%
Annu	505	84.17%
Nivedita Chauhan	491	81.83%

PRAN Scholars Achieve Outstanding Results in 2025 Board Exams

Empowered by PRAN Foundation scholarships, our students have demonstrated remarkable academic excellence, with over 85% students securing above 90% scores. These achievements reflect not just hard work, but the power of opportunity and education. Together, we are shaping a brighter future.



Phase 1

2023
300 applications



Phase 2

2024
600 applications



Phase 3

2025
1200 applications

Other Dimension of PRAN ASPIRE Life Science Internship



APPLICATION CALL

ASPIRE LIFE SCIENCE INTERNSHIP

Unlock Research Opportunities!★
Mar 2025, Sat-Sun (1 Hour Sessions)
10 out of 30 Students Get Year Long Mentorship




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Or Visit to apply
<https://forms.gle/o8aVDtGh4Fn6cNbJ6>

DEADLINE: 05.02.2025

Eligibility: PG or PhD 1st-2nd year students
(Life Science, Chemistry, Pharmacology.)
Date: 22.11.2024 - 05.02.2025
Internship Start Date: 01.03.2025

Your Commitment to Excellence:

1. Unwavering Dedication to Learning
2. In-Depth Literature Exploration
3. Meticulous Editing and Proofreading
4. Effective Presentation Skills
5. Proactive Engagement

Program Benefits:

- Expert Mentorship Opportunities
- Networking with Senior Scholars
- Advanced Research Methodology Classes
- Publishing Opportunities
- Comprehensive Support System
- Extensive Academic Connectivity
- Support in Scholarly Writing

Our Mentors

Sameer Tiwari, USA
Manas K. Paul, India
Anupam Dasmana, USA
Vikas Pandey, Japan
Pratik Bhardwaj, USA
Swaroop Pandey, India
Saurabh Tiwari, UK
Deepak Chauhan, Canada
Varun Kushwaha, Japan
Manu Prakash, USA
Suman Dutta, UK
Alok Bhartiya, USA
Shobha Upreti, Japan

Our Achievements

International PhD Admissions & Research Positions

Saurav Yadav: CNRS, France
Swati Tirpathi: NINS, Japan
Abhirami: NINS, Japan
Rahutosh Ranjan: University of Salerno, Italy
Shobha Upreti: NIPS, Japan
Aprajita Sinha: ICGEB, Italy
Abhirami Ramalingam: University of British Columbia, Canada

Indian PhD Admissions & Research Positions

Shreya, IISER, Pune
Deokrishna: IIT, Mandi
Anish Chhillar: IIT, Mandi
Shivank: NIT, Delhi
Ronit Jain: NIT, Delhi
Sachin: PGIMER, Chandigarh
Durganand: IIT, Mandi
Sona Verma: NABL Punjab
Dipak Kumar Jha: Central University of Harayana
JRFs
Saloni Malik
Khushi Bhardwaj

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ASPIRE INTERNSHIP 3.0

APR 13TH
8:30 PM, IST
Zoom Meeting
ID: 791 206 6058
Passcode: yUqx2e

Can Sozuer
Dalhousie University, Canada

PRAN Foundation Present

ASPIRE Invited Lectures

Avi Shukla
Aix-Marseille University

Vasishta
Amazon USA

Subir Majumder
Harvard University

Can Sozuer
Dalhousie University

Suman Dutta
University of Oxford

Anshu Shukla
NUS, Singapore

March-April 2025 08:30 PM - 09:30 PM Zoom Meetings

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- ✓ 15+ students secured Ph.D. positions abroad (including top universities) in the past 3 years.
- ✓ Mentorship provided by distinguished faculty from institutions like Harvard, Yale, NIH, IITs, Osaka University, and others.
- ✓ Completely free for all selected students — PRAN Foundation ensures no fees for mentorship, training, or research exposure.
- ✓ Hands-on training, lab work, scientific writing, and career guidance offered through ASPIRE.
- ✓ Focused on empowering rural and underrepresented youth to achieve global academic excellence.

A Vision Rooted in Experience



“I grew up in Ayodhya, in a humble home. Education was my lifeline – made possible by mentors and scholarships that forever phanged my path. Through PRAN Foundation, I strive to offer that same hope to every deserving student.”

— **Vikas Pandey**
Founder & Director

⊕ About Vikas Pandey

- Origin: Ayodhya. scholarship beneficiary
- Expertise: Computational neuroscience & biophysics

Education: The True Equalizer



“Education transcends barriers. I’ve seen rural scholars achieve excellence when given guidance and opportunity. Rural potential is India’s greatest untapped resource.”

— **Vasishta Harekal**
Director & AWS Engineer

📖 About Vasishta Harekal

- Field: Computer Science & hands-on science education
- Role: Champion of interactive learning in underprivileged communities