BAL AYUSH FOUNDATION

Vibrant Kids, Better Tomorrows



AN INSIGHT INTO FY 25-26



IN PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE IN PEDDIATRIC CARE

TODAY, AS WE MARK THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF BAL AYUSH FOUNDATION, WE DO SO WITH GRATITUDE, HUMILITY, AND RENEWED COMMITMENT. THIS FIRST YEAR HAS BEEN ABOUT TAKING THE SMALL BUT MEANINGFUL STEPS THAT TURN VISION INTO REALITY, AND ABOUT LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR AN INSTITUTION DEDICATED TO UNIVERSAL HEALTHCARE FOR CHILDREN, ROOTED IN COMPASSION, RESEARCH, AND COLLABORATION.

OUR JOURNEY IS GUIDED BY A CLEAR PURPOSE: TO BUILD A CHILD HEALTH ECOSYSTEM THAT IS COMPREHENSIVE, HUMANE, AND FUTURE-READY. IN THE SHORT TERM, WE WILL CONSOLIDATE THE THALASSEMIA AND BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT PROGRAMS WE ARE PARTNERING WITH IN RAIPUR, DELHI, AHMEDABAD, MUMBAI, AND BANGALORE; IN THE MEDIUM TERM, WE WILL INTEGRATE FETAL MEDICINE, GENETICS, AND RARE DISEASE SERVICES; AND IN THE LONG RUN, WE ASPIRE TO CREATE A STAND-ALONE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR PEDIATRICS THAT IS HIGH-RISK, HIGH-REWARD, AND HIGH-VOLUME.

THIS IS NOT JUST THE STORY OF A HOSPITAL PROJECT; IT IS THE STORY OF A MOVEMENT TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WHO NEED SPECIALIZED CARE MOST. WITH THE STRENGTH OF OUR TEAM, THE TRUST OF OUR PARTNERS, AND THE CLARITY OF OUR MISSION, WE ARE BUILDING STEADILY TOWARD A FUTURE WHERE BAL AYUSH FOUNDATION BECOMES A MODEL FOR EQUITABLE, SPECIALIZED, AND RESEARCH-DRIVEN PEDIATRIC CARE IN INDIA.

THIS FIRST ANNUAL REPORT IS NOT ABOUT NUMBERS - THERE IS ANYWAYS NOT MUCH TO SHOW IN TERMS OF NUMBERS. IT IS RATHER AN EXPRESSION OF THE LITTLE STEPS WE ARE TAKING IN PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE IN PEDIATRIC CARE

Creating Access To Transplants

Severe blood disorders and cancer are the leading cause of death and disability from noncommunicable diseases in the global pediatric population and a major financial burden.

During the initial days after the establishment of Bal Ayush Foundation, we had multiple discussions with DKMS, Germany and Dr Lawrence Faulkner from Cure2Children, Italy. A shared vision to improve access to transplants emerged. We then set out on a mission to establish new BMT centres in places of need or strengthening existing ones in areas where they are lacking. This thought led us to travel across the length and breadth of the country .

The result today is that we are at the cusp of setting up multiple BMT programs in different parts of the country and are already supporting some premier institutions with resources, training, technology and other means.

The entire team at Bal Ayush Foundation thanks DKMS and Dr Lawrence for their unwavering support in terms of resources and finances. This first year would not have been possible if not for them.

Building a PHO-BMT Program - IGICH, Bangalore

Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health (IGICH), Bangalore is Karnataka's biggest pediatric facility as part of the public healthcare setup. It is the state's largest referral centre for a multitude of disorders affecting children. There is a huge influx of patients with severe chronic hematological and oncological disorders. The hospital has been running a pediatric hematology oncology care unit.



Bal Ayush Foundation played a pivotal role in strengthening the paediatric oncology and transplant ecosystem at Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, with a focused approach toward improving access, coordination, and readiness for advanced treatments such as Bone Marrow Transplantation (BMT).

- More than 15,000 sq ft of space has been allocated for a comprehesive PHO and BMT program.
- 200+ patients in oncoloy care in already.
- BMT program to start transplants in the last quarter of 2026.

Key Initiatives Taken Up To Strengthen Care

- Support in donor identification and coordination for oncology patients.
- Assistance in fund management and planning utilization for underprivileged families.
- Strategic involvement in the development of the Bone Marrow Transplant Unit (BMTU) in the new speciality hospital at IGICH.
- Beyond infrastructure, emphasis was placed on building robust systems for sustainable operations, including
    - Improving documentation and case tracking mechanisms
    - Streamlining patient navigation from OPD to transplant
    - Supporting implementation of non-clinical standard operating procedures (SOPs)
    - Creation of a more organized and patient-centric care pathway.

These efforts have significantly contributed to building a robust, accessible, and sustainable transplant program. Through its continued partnership with IGICH, Bal Ayush Foundation is helping build a comprehensive and sustainable paediatric BMT program, ensuring that children in need have access to advanced, life-saving treatments within the public healthcare system.

Targeted Training for Paediatric Oncology Nursing Team

Bal Ayush Foundation conducted focused educational sessions for the nursing team working in the paediatric oncology ward at IGICH, with an emphasis on practical, high-impact areas such as:

- Infection prevention and control in patients who are immunocompromised.
- Safe chemotherapy preparation and administration
- Identification and management of chemotherapy-related side effects
- Patient safety and supportive care practices

These sessions were designed to bridge knowledge gaps and empower frontline nurses with evidence-based practices, ultimately improving patient outcomes and reducing treatment-related complications



- Case-based discussions drawn from real clinical scenarios
- Practical demonstrations of procedures.
- Group discussions and problem-solving exercises
- Pre-session and post-session assessments to evaluate knowledge gain

The First Steps Towards Bone Marrow Transplant

As part of the plans to build a Bone Marrow Transplant program, Bal Ayush Foundation successfully facilitated HLA typing camps for 53 families at IGICH for children suffering from various benign haematological disorders such as thalassemia, Aplastic anaemia, Sickle cell, Fanconi's anaemia between August to March. Out of which 5 children were identified as full matches between August and December last year.

Beyond diagnostics, the camps created a platform for holistic engagement, where families received guidance on next steps, financial assistance avenues, and emotional support—bringing them closer to a potential cure.





Promoting Healing through Art and Engagement: Volunteering Activities by Kavach Trust



Bal Ayush Foundation, in collaboration with Kavach Trust, organized a series of volunteering activities focused on art therapy and group engagement at the pediatric oncology ward of Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health. Children undergoing cancer treatment often face prolonged hospital stays, physical discomfort, and emotional distress.

Recognizing the importance of psychosocial well-being alongside medical care, these activities were designed to create a safe and joyful space where children could express themselves freely. The art therapy sessions encouraged children to engage in creative activities such as drawing, colouring, and simple crafts.



Capacity Building through Specialized Nursing Education

Recognizing that skilled nursing care is the backbone of successful transplant programs, we conducted a series of digital educational and knowledge management sessions tailored specifically for nurses working in Bone Marrow Transplant (BMT) settings. These sessions were delivered in collaboration with leading institutions of India. The 3 major beneficiary institutions included:

- Kailash Cancer Hospital and Research Centre (KCH), Goraj
- King George's Medical University, Lucknow
- AIIMS Nagpur

By focusing on knowledge standardization, these initiatives have contributed to safer, more efficient and protocol-driven care delivery across multiple centres of the country.



Nursing Teams at KCHRC (Top) & AIIMS Nagpur (Bottom)



Collaboration with Ajaata Fetal Medicine Centre, IGICH

Ajaata Fetal Medicine Centre, established in September 2025 is one of the flagship programs of the Centre of Excellence For Rare Diseases at Indira Gandhi Institute Of Child Health (IGICH), which is Karnataka's biggest pediatric only care facility.

The centre was established as a collaboration between IGICH, Bangalore Fetal Medicine Centre (BFMC), Centre For Human Genetics (CHG) and Bal Ayush Foundation with a primary aim of targeted screening of pregnant women who hail from families where there is already a child affected by a rare genetic disorder or a high-risk pregnancy detected in routine investigations and scans. By offering antenatal scans and invasive procedures aimed at detecting anomalies and genetic disorders in the fetus, the centre empowers families to make an informed decision about their ongoing pregnancies.

Bal Ayush Foundation supports with technology, funding, operational support and coordination. Since September more than 300 patients have sought benefit and more than 50 invasive procedures have been performed.

Making Transplants a Reality



Bone Marrow Transplant is often the only curative treatment for several life-threatening haematological and oncological conditions. However, the procedure is associated with significant costs. For many families, especially those from economically vulnerable backgrounds, these costs can be overwhelming and prohibitive, often leading to delays or discontinuation of treatment

What Was Done:

- Mobilized financial assistance for 9 families who were awaiting transplant for cure.
- Reduced the economic burden associated with BMT procedures
- Enabled timely access to treatment without delays due to funding gaps











CELEBRATIONS GALLERY - VARIOUS EVENTS WERE HELD WITH THE LITTLE ONES

















GLIMPSES FROM HLA TYPING EVENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY









Finding Pathways To Cure: HLA Typing Events across North India

Thanks to the unwavering support from DKMS, we have had the privilege and opportunity to focus our efforts on expanding access to HLA typing and transplant for patients suffering from thalassemia and other hematological disorders, while simultaneously strengthening our collaboration with the BMT centres. Reaching such families requires deep, sustained, and empathetic engagement. While this demands considerable effort at every step, it is both necessary and meaningful. As we look ahead, our vision is to build a stronger, more accessible support ecosystem—one that can effectively reach those who need it the most. Our goal is to evolve as an organization capable of providing end-to-end support, from facilitating regular blood transfusion care to enabling access to curative Bone Marrow Transplant.







- **August 2025 – Pratapgarh:** HLA samples were collected from 44 families, resulting in 8 fully matched cases. Post identification, structured patient-to-patient counselling were conducted to explain the BMT process and address concerns. These patients were subsequently mapped to the BMT facility at Kailash Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, Goraj. Currently, 4 patients are undergoing pre-transplant preparation, with the first admission being anticipated around May–June 2026.
- **January 2026 – Ludhiana:** HLA sampling was conducted for approximately 15 families, with reports currently awaited.
- **February 2026 – Agra & Mathura:** Around 25 families participated, and HLA samples were successfully collected.
- **March 2026 – Jhalawar & Udaipur:** Strong community response was observed with 57 families in Jhalawar and 23 families in Udaipur coming forward, reflecting growing awareness and trust in our initiatives.

Pediatric Bone Marrow Transplant Program at Raipur

The state of Chhatisgarh is home to a lot of patients suffering from benign hemoglobin disorders, primarily sickle cell disease. Data gathered by the government of India points that along with Madhya Pradesh and parts of Maharashtra, several areas of Chhattisgarh are the most severely affected regions.

The place also has a rich share of children with severe thalassemia or sickle beta thalassemia syndromes. Unfortunately, in the entire state there is no pediatric focussed care and bone marrow transplant program that is accessible and affordable.

Bal Ayush Foundation is looking at ways to make regular systematic care and options for cure available and possible within Raipur - the capital city of Chhattisgarh





RAMKRISHNA CARE HOSPITALS

As part of this effort, 2 new centres are being envisioned - the Bal Ayush- CARE Centre for Pediatric Bone Marrow transplants at Ramakrishna CARE Hospitals, Raipur and the Pediatric Hematology Oncology and BMT in collaboration with All India Institute Of Medical Sciences [AIIMS], Raipur. While the centre at CARE Hospital is anticipated to be functional by July/August 2026, the possibility of the centre at AIIMS is being discussed with the institute. Together, this would offer comprehensive pediatric hematology oncology care and 12-15 beds for Bone Marrow Transplant for both benign and malignant conditions at not for profit costs. HLA typing, pre transplant clinics and other activities have been started across the state in order to realize the dream of curing children from these severe disorders. A thalassemia/sickle cell management day care centre is also being setup in Raipur and another one in Bilaspur.





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मुख्य चिकित्सा एवं स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी डॉ. आई नागेश्वर राव के निर्देशन में रविवार को सामुदायिक स्वास्थ्य केंद्र बसना में सिकल सेल उन्मूलन मिशन के अंतर्गत एक दिवसीय विशेष स्वास्थ्य शिविर का आयोजन किया गया।

यह शिविर वाल आयुष फाउंडेशन बैंगलोर के सहयोग से आयोजित किया गया, जिसमें जिले के चिन्हित गंभीर सिकल सेल मरीजों का स्वास्थ्य परीक्षण किया गया। शिविर में बार-बार ब्लड ट्रांसफ्यूजन की आवश्यकता पड़ने वाले मरीजों को विशेष परामर्श एवं उपचार सुविधा प्रदान की गई। शिविर में मरीजों के साथ उनके परिजनों की भी जांच की गई तथा उनका एचएलए टाईपिंग टेस्ट किया गया, जिससे भविष्य में बोन मैरो ट्रांसप्लांट के लिए उपयुक्त डोनर की पहचान संभव हो सके। इस अवसर पर सीएमएचओ डॉ. नागेश्वर राव ने कहा कि सिकल सेल जैसी गंभीर बीमारी के प्रभावी नियंत्रण के लिए समय पर जांच एवं सही उपचार बेहद आवश्यक है। इस प्रकार के शिविरों के माध्यम से मरीजों को बेहतर स्वास्थ्य सेवाएं उपलब्ध कराई जा रही हैं। कार्यक्रम में स्वास्थ्य विभाग की टीम एवं विशेषज्ञ चिकित्सकों की सक्रिय भागीदारी रही।

Pediatric Bone Marrow Transplant Program at Greater Noida

The National Capital Region (NCR) in India is a home to a lot of super speciality hospitals. Many of these hospitals have a Bone Marrow Transplant program running. The cost of this procedure at most of these institutions is very high leaving a large percentage of patients with no access to cure.



Bal Ayush Foundation in collaboration with Thalassemics India, Delhi and ShardaCare HealthCity have setup a pediatric not for profit Bone Marrow Transplant program at ShardaCare HealthCity, Greater Noida. This program is part of a larger 25 bedded BMT unit being setup at the hospital. 5 beds have been earmarked for pediatric BMTs and the program will look to offer comprehensive BMT service for thalassemia and related benign disorders including pre and post transplant care. A day care for transfusions is also being worked upon.





Phase 1 operations of the complete BMT unit was inaugurated by the Honb'le Deputy Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh in March 2026.

The team led by Dr Pawan Kumar Singh and assisted by Dr Isha have started Pre transplant OPDs and clinical evaluation of patients. The first patient is likely to be admitted after 15th April 2026. The team is in touch with several thalassemia care centres across Haryana, Punjab, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan who have all shown interest to have their patients treated at this centre owing to the not for profit model and experience of the team.

On 12th January, Dr Lawrence Faulkner, a world renowned Pediatric Hematologist Oncologist visited the centre and delivered a talk on building a succesful transplant program with focus on clinical outcomes. He continues to be available in an advisory capacity to help the team develop clinical practice guidelines and protocols.

Sickle Cell Clinic @ Uganda

Sickle cell disease (SCD) is the most common life threatening, non-communicable disease of children globally. The great majority of severe cases are born in sub-Saharan Africa.

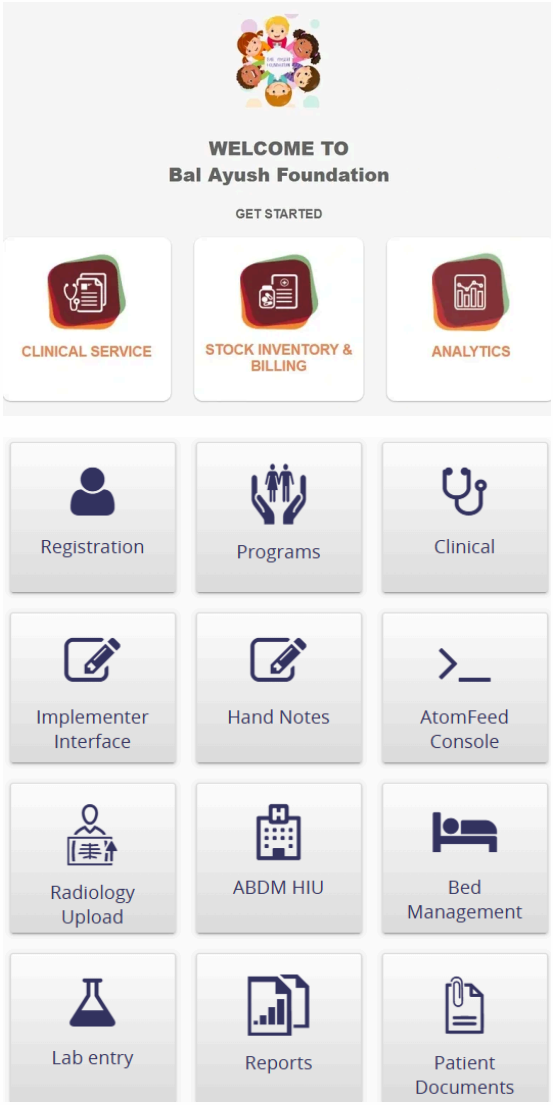
In Uganda, about 25,000 children are each year with SCD and the expected mortality in the first 5 years of life is in the range of 80%, which is 15% o the child mortality rate. Hydroxyurea (Hu) is the standard therapy for SCD and it can be safely administered.

The Esley Mulungi Foundation
Fighting Sickle Cell, One child at a Time

Cure 2 Children

Bal Ayush Foundation is working in collaboration with Esley Mulungi Foundation and Cure2Children to offer free Hu, penicillin, folic acid and, possibly safe transfusions, to an initial group of 100 children aged < 5 years with Hb SS or S-thalassemia proven by Hb electrophoresis from non-affording families. We hope that this opens up the possibilities for systematic care for children suffering from Sickle Cell Disease there.

Building a Custom EMR



In November 2025, we launched our electronic medical record (EMR) system for clinical management of patients. Built on the openMRS platform, the system is a customized version of Bahmni, the open source EMR and Hospital system. This is a significant step in providing systematic care and management to patients at our centres. With clear digitized records of patients with chronic needs, we are able to ensure timely interventions.

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Bal Ayush Foundation

Balance Sheet

Basis: Accrual

As of 31/03/2026

Account	Account Code	Total
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash		
Petty Cash		5,000.00
Total for Cash		**5,000.00**
Bank		
Bal Ayush Foundation	001	2,67,718.69
Total for Bank		**2,67,718.69**
Total for Cash and Cash Equivalents		**2,72,718.69**
Accounts Receivable		
Total for Accounts Receivable		**0.00**
Other current assets		
Total for Other current assets		**0.00**
Total for Current Assets		**2,72,718.69**
Non Current Assets		
Total for Non Current Assets		**0.00**
Fixed Assets		
BalAyush-All_Assets		1,738.00
BalAyush-FixedAssets		17,602.40
Total for Fixed Assets		**19,340.40**
Other Assets		
Total for Other Assets		**0.00**
Total for Assets		**2,92,059.09**
Liabilities & Equities		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		

Account	Account Code	Total
Accounts Payable		5,51,960.92
Total for Accounts Payable		**5,51,960.92**
Other Current Liabilities		
Employee Reimbursements		10,835.00
TDS Payable		48,172.00
Total for Other Current Liabilities		**59,007.00**
Total for Current Liabilities		**6,10,967.92**
Non Current Liabilities		
Total for Non Current Liabilities		**0.00**
Other Liabilities		
Total for Other Liabilities		**0.00**
Total for Liabilities		**6,10,967.92**
Equities		
Owner's Equity		1,00,020.00
Current Year Earnings		-4,18,928.83
Total for Equities		**-3,18,908.83**
Total for Liabilities & Equities		**2,92,059.09**

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