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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT



SURESH K. KRISHNA

President
ChildFund India Board

FY 2025-26 was a significant year for ChildFund India as we celebrated 41 years of partnership with children, families and communities across the country. This milestone offered an opportunity to reflect on the trust we have built, the lessons we have learned, and our continued commitment to improving the lives of children.

During the year, we strengthened our focus on integrated, people-centred approaches that recognise the interconnected nature of education, protection, health, nutrition, livelihoods, mental wellbeing, gender equality, and climate resilience. Our experience continues to show that lasting change is possible only when these issues are addressed together and in ways that reflect the realities of people's lives.

Across diverse geographies, we worked with communities, government systems, schools, frontline workers, youth groups, and women's collectives to build stronger pathways from vulnerability to resilience. This approach enabled us to respond not only to immediate needs but also to the underlying challenges that affect children's wellbeing and opportunities.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to learning, adapting, and working alongside communities to create lasting impact. I am grateful to everyone who has walked alongside us, whose trust, partnership, and commitment continue to strengthen our shared journey.

Together, we will continue building a future where every child can thrive with dignity, safety, and hope.

FOREWORD



FY 2025–26 marked a defining shift in how we work, moving decisively from sector-specific interventions to integrated, people-centred pathways that respond to the complex realities of children, adolescents, women, and communities. Our experience continues to affirm that education cannot succeed without protection, child wellbeing cannot be ensured without household resilience, and lasting change is impossible without strong community systems.

Midway through this year, we also celebrated the completion of 41 years of our organisation's journey. This milestone gave us an opportunity to pause and reflect on the trust built with communities, the lessons gathered across generations, and our responsibility to keep learning and adapting to a changing world.

While our commitment over four decades has remained steadfast, FY 2025–26 reaffirmed the value of moving from delivering individual services to creating connected, life-stage-based pathways that support people more holistically. This is a journey we are still learning from, but one that has given greater clarity to how we want to work.

Guided by this vision, we strengthened convergence across child protection, education, health, nutrition, livelihoods, mental wellbeing, gender equality, and climate resilience. Across tribal, agrarian, migration-prone, and urban geographies, our programmes were designed to respond to local vulnerabilities while addressing structural drivers such as poverty, migration, entrenched social norms, and climate stress.

Schools, health systems, Anganwadi platforms, Panchayats, frontline workers, youth groups, and women's collectives were no longer treated as parallel channels, but as interdependent systems working together to ensure that no individual is reached in isolation from their lived realities.

As we look beyond 41 years of work, FY 2025–26 stands out as a year that helped sharpen our purpose: to move beyond programmes and build dignified, integrated pathways from vulnerability to resilience.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the communities who continue to place their trust in us, and to our teams, partners, and supporters who continue to make this journey possible.

Sincerely,

Anand Vishwakarma
Executive Director, ChildFund India

DONORS, PARTNERS, SUPPORTERS

OUR COMMUNITY OF SUPPORT

OUR PARTNERS SAY



Ms. Leena Rajan, National Lead-CSR Bajaj Finserv CSR

Through the Web Safe and Wise initiative, our partnership with ChildFund India ..... has strengthened awareness around online risks and cyber safety... We are encouraged by the positive outcomes achieved and the growing awareness around digital safety at the community level....”



Mr. Sredhar Kaluva, Head- Farmer Programs & Sustainability, ofi India

Working with Child Fund India as an implementing partner on the FBK project has been a meaningful collaboration to address child labor through a holistic, community-driven approach. With over 700 children supported across the Bhadrachalam and Jaisalmer regions, many of whom have been re-enrolled in school, it’s truly inspiring to see safer, more resilient, and truly child-friendly communities emerging.”

Amway India

Amway India has been associated with ChildFund India since 2021 to support efforts towards addressing childhood malnutrition in urban slums across Kolkata, Mumbai, and Lucknow. In FY 2025–26, the program continued in Lucknow, where ChildFund’s community engagement, government convergence, and nutrition expertise supported the program’s meaningful impact, further contributing to Amway India’s vision of helping people live better lives. We value this partnership and wish ChildFund India continued success in its community initiatives.

LOOKING AHEAD

FY 2025–26 reinforced a core lesson: integration is not an add-on, it is the pathway to impact. In the coming year, we will deepen cross-sector convergence, sharpen evidence-based targeting, and strengthen local systems so that every child, adolescent, youth and woman can transition from vulnerability to resilience.

2025 AT A GLANCE



WebSafeAndWise | Pune
With Bajaj Finserv, promoting safer digital experiences for children.



Maha Sankalp | CSR event
Bringing leaders together to shape new pathways for young people.



OSCPCR MoU | Odisha
Taking online safety from a successful pilot to statewide scale.



Mental Health Award | Jharkhand
Recognised for strengthening mental health support for children, young people and mothers.



Launched the Heat & Health project
Helping communities prepare for the health risks of extreme heat.



Leadership for Social Responsibility | Karnataka
With KSCPCR, advancing collective action on child rights and online safety.



Partnership with Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIM-B) | Saksham | Co-creating models for holistic learning and child development.



APSACS Award | Andhra Pradesh
Recognised for advancing HIV/AIDS prevention and dedicated services to people living with HIV.

GEOGRAPHICAL REACH

08 States

01 UT (Delhi)

33 Districts

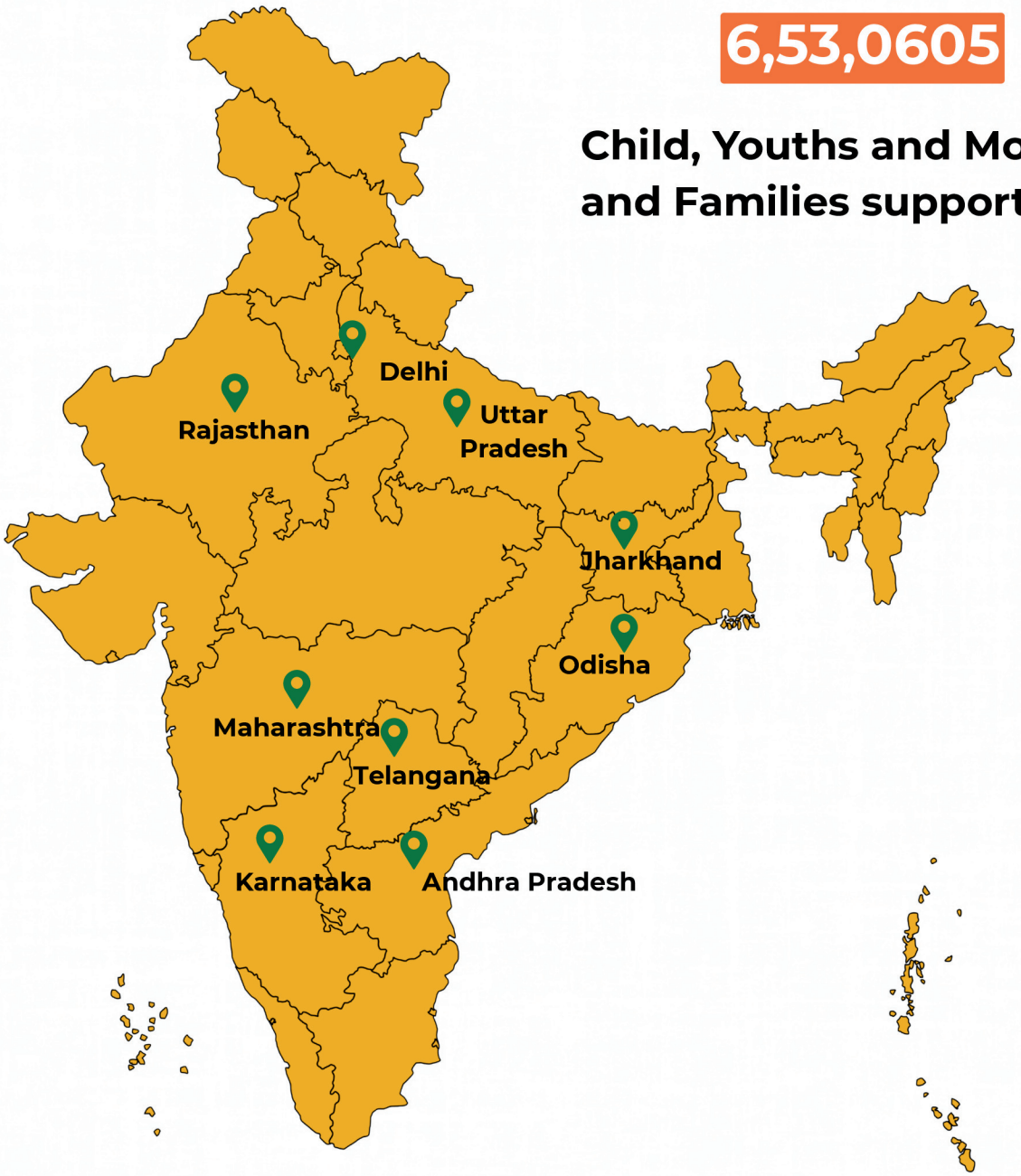
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15 Project Locations

(Raichur, Bangalore, Anantapur, Vijayawada, Kendrapara, Nuapada, Kalahandi, Pune, Mumbai, Junnar, Khunti, Sultanpur, Gogunda, Udaipur, Bhadrachalam)

6,53,0605

Child, Youths and Mothers and Families supported



INTEGRATED PROGRAMMING FRAMEWORK

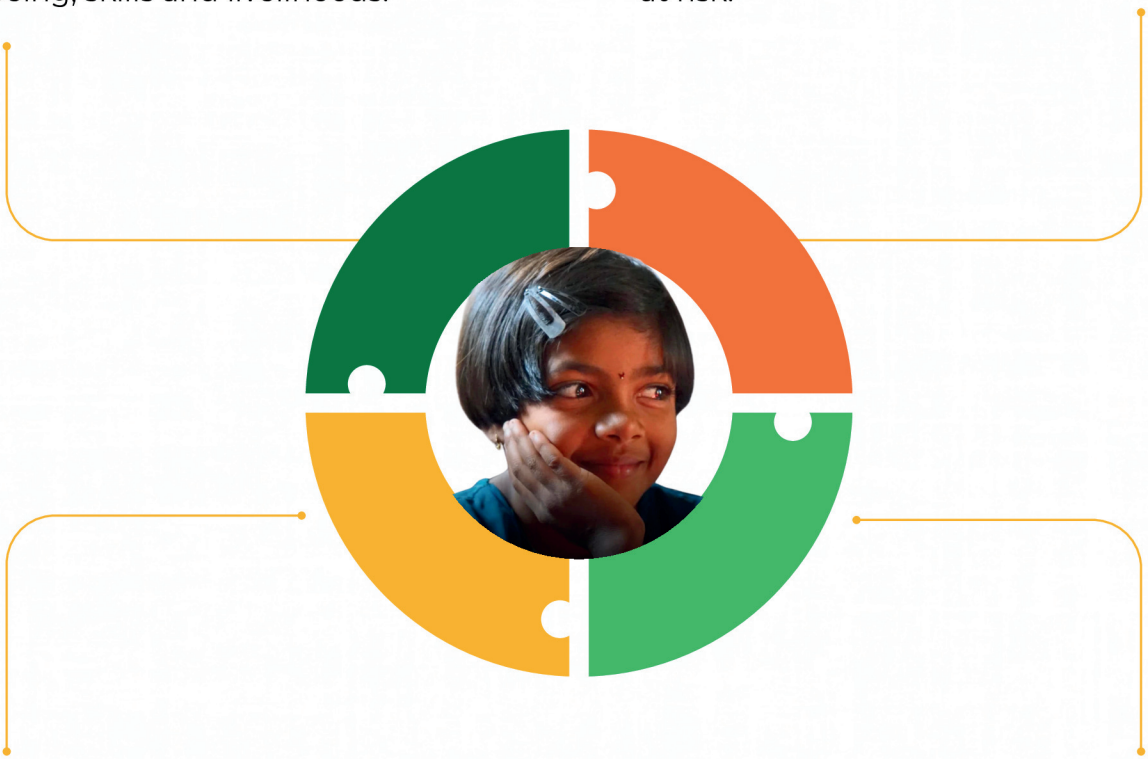
A child's well-being is shaped by many factors in their lives and surroundings. Challenges such as malnutrition, learning gaps, child labour, early marriage, and unemployment rarely exist in isolation. Our integrated approach brings together age-appropriate support, stronger families and communities, and more responsive systems to address these interconnected challenges and create lasting change for children and young people.

Age and Need-Based Intervention

We adapt support across childhood, adolescence and youth, responding to changing needs in health, learning, wellbeing, skills and livelihoods.

Household and Community Resilience

We build stronger livelihoods, food security and access to services to reduce pressures that put children at risk.



Systems Strengthening

We work with schools, health services, governments, communities and supply chains to make support more sustainable.

Equity and Inclusion

We respond to the needs of girls, migrants, marginalised families and other vulnerable groups, addressing barriers to opportunity and inclusion.

PROGRAMME INTEGRATION IN ACTION

At ChildFund India, we recognize children's evolving needs across ages and geographies. Their well-being depends on multiple factors, so we support every stage of life, ensuring health, education, protection, skills, and sustainability & resilience.

1. Child Protection, Education and Livelihoods

Rajasthan, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha

We integrated child protection, education continuity, and livelihood security to address the root causes that can push children into labour and families towards distress migration.

Pathway 1: Child labour prevention and stronger protection across communities and supply chains.

Our approach

- Child labour monitoring and remediation
- School enrolment and learning support
- Community-based child protection
- Livelihood and skills support
- Supply-chain engagement and due diligence
- Government and frontline worker engagement
- Community mobilisation and behaviour change



*Mona is one of many children who have been re-integrated to school from child labour under the ofi project.

Key Outcomes

- Increased awareness of child rights and child labour
- Better school enrolment, retention and participation
- Increased youth employability
- Improved access to health, sanitation and social protection
- Stronger supply-chain accountability

Pathway 2: Strengthening sustainable livelihoods to reduce distress migration and child labour, while supporting education, child protection, and skills and employment opportunities for young people.

Key Outcomes

- Improved livelihood outcomes and reduced distress migration
- Reduced school dropout and stronger retention
- Functional community-based child protection systems
- Improved access to entitlements and services
- Reduced child labour and protection risks
- Increased community participation in local governance

I dropped out of school to help my parents in farming. Today, I run a tailoring business, and people from other villages come to me for my quality and design work.
-Unati 18 yrs old*



With vocational training and support through the project, Unati now supports her family, pays for her siblings' education and plans to continue her education through open school.

*name changed to protect privacy

2. Swabhiman – Child Protection and Education for Adolescent Girls

Rajasthan

Swabhiman demonstrated how education, life skills, social norm change and protection together can delay early marriage and expand girls' aspirations.

Our approach

- Career counselling, digital literacy and higher education pathways
- Community-based child protection and Panchayat engagement
- Financial literacy, vocational exposure, 21st-century life skills
- Peer groups, sports-based engagement and youth advocacy
- Individual mentoring and personalised development plans

Impact

- **100%** continued their education
- **76.3%** had clear plans for education or a career
- **94.4%** reported high confidence
- **91.3%** showed strong self-expression
- **0.9%** sharp decline in marriage as an immediate aspiration

These results validate the effectiveness of integrated, girl-centred programming.

3. Digital Safety Literacy and Online Protection

Karnataka, Maharashtra and Odisha

Across schools and communities, we linked mental wellbeing with digital safety, recognising the growing risks of online harm and digital addiction.

We work with

- Children from age 11 to 18 years
- Parents, teachers
- District education officers, cybercrime officials, police personals
- State commission for protection for children of respective states

Our approach

- Structured digital safety
- School-based counselling, helplines and referral systems
- Capacity building of teachers, peer educators, police, child protection personals
- Parent and community engagement to reduce stigma
- Strengthened the state online safety system by closely working with state commission for protection of children

Impact

- **70%** improvement in mental wellbeing and resilience scores
- **60%** reduction in reported digital addiction and online risks
- **600** structured sessions conducted
- improved and aware online child protection system in the states



Police personnel training on online safety | Bengaluru: Building stronger systems for children's online safety through police training under WebSafeAndWise initiative.



Children participating in WebSafeAndWise took part in the Kids and Family Safety Capacity Building Workshop at Google Mumbai, bringing their voices to the conversation on online safety.

4. Sports and child protection

Mumbai and Junar (Maharashtra)

Through local games and sports, the programme raised children's awareness of safe and unsafe touch, their consequences, and available reporting mechanisms. It also built essential life skills such as communication, teamwork, problem-solving, and resilience to strengthen their ability to protect themselves and others.

We work with

- Children age between 9 to 14 years
- Community volunteers
- Parents
- Local government officials
- Panchayat Raj Institute (PRI) members

Our approach

- Mixed-gender child groups were formed and conducted orientation sessions for both children and their parents
- Weekly two hours playground session with each group focusing on life skills and child protection.
- Sports tournament were organised to actively engage parents and local stakeholders to strengthen community support



Children in Pune's Sports for Protection program engaged in an activity.

Impact

- 89% Know more about staying safe
- 73% Understand themselves better
- 79% Communicate more confidently
- 71% Solve problems more effectively
- 77% Work better together
- 75% Show greater empathy

5. Nutrition, Health and Women's Livelihoods

We addressed child nutrition and maternal wellbeing by linking Anganwadi platforms with women's livelihoods.



Devi is one of many women building stronger livelihoods through skills training, seed capital and market linkages under our livelihood program.*

We work with

- Children age 0-6 years
- Women
- Anganwadi workers

Our approach

- Growth monitoring for 5,000 children
- 2,000 nutrition-sensitive kitchen gardens established
- Livelihood training and enterprise support for 1,500 mothers
- SHG strengthening and convergence with POSHAN, ICDS and NRLM

Key outcomes

- Improved dietary diversity and food security
- Increased household income resilience
- Stronger uptake of nutrition and maternal health services

6. Adolescent Health, Sexual Reproductive Health Rights and Protection (GARIMA)

GARIMA integrates health services, rights education and community engagement to improve adolescent sexual and reproductive health.

Impact

- 75% improvement in SRHR knowledge
- 50% increase in AFHC service uptake
- 20% reduction in early marriages
- 80 adolescent groups formed and strengthened



Sexual Reproductive Health Awareness | Andhra Pradesh: Creating safe spaces for girls to learn, ask questions and make informed choices about their sexual and reproductive health.

**name changed to protect privacy*

7. Education, School Health, WASH and Girls' Wellbeing

By integrating WASH infrastructure, menstrual health, anaemia reduction and hygiene behaviour change, we reduced absenteeism and improved learning outcomes.

Impact

- 20% reduction in absenteeism
- 30% reduction in anaemia
- 90% adoption of handwashing practices

8. Health Systems Strengthening & Climate Resilience

Delhi, Odisha

Strengthening health systems to respond to everyday needs and emerging climate risks.

1. COMPREHENSIVE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

Strengthening primary healthcare in Odisha so children, adolescents and communities can access timely, affordable and quality care.

Impact

- 150+ health staff trained
- Point of Care (POC) diagnostics and digital systems introduced at PHCs
- Digital health & teleconsultation strengthened
- Community outreach and referral systems improved



Digital Anganwadi | Odisha: Building digital skills among frontline health workers to strengthen care for children.

2. CLIMATE RESILIENCE, HEAT ACTION & PUBLIC HEALTH

Helping heat-vulnerable communities in Delhi and Bhubaneswar prepare for and respond to rising heat-related health risks.

Our approach

We worked across heat-vulnerable communities and health systems to strengthen preparedness for extreme heat, combining local planning, public awareness, frontline training, and Primary Health Centres (PHCs) readiness.

Impact

- 10,000 community members reached with heat-health awareness
- Stronger health-system readiness to manage heat-related illness
- More protective behaviours adopted by communities
- Stronger local response systems for heat events
- Improved access to essential heat-management support

9. Livelihoods, Youth Skilling and Climate-Smart Agriculture

Across nine states, we linked skills, entrepreneurship and climate resilience.



Meena is one of many young people taking their next step towards skills & opportunity through the Skill India Digital Hub.*

Impact

- **2,114** youth mobilised through Skill India Digital Hub
- **360** youth enrolled in demand-driven skills training; **70%** placed
- **179** women trained as entrepreneurs; **57** enterprises supported
- Expansion of climate-resilient farming and micro-enterprises

10. Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (First 1000 Days)

We focus on the first 1000 days, from conception to age two, by improving maternal and child nutrition, reducing preventable deaths, and strengthening early care to support lifelong wellbeing.



Health Camp | Supporting healthier childhoods through regular growth monitoring at a community health camp.

Our approach

- Digital tracking of ANC, PNC and child growth
- Structured home visits for counselling, follow-up and risk identification
- Breastfeeding, complementary feeding and maternal nutrition support
- Strengthened VHSNDs and Anganwadi linkages
- Early childhood development and responsive caregiving practices
- Digital tools and job aids for ASHAs, ANMs and AWWs
- Community awareness on nutrition and developmental milestones

Key outcomes

- **90%** Ante-Natal Care & Pre-Natal Care tracking through digital platforms
- Improved early childhood development outcomes (cognitive, social, emotional)
- Enhanced real-time tracking, follow-up, and service delivery efficiency through digital systems

**name changed to protect privacy*

11. Link Workers Scheme (LWS): Integrating HIV Care, Health & Social Protection

We work with vulnerable communities across Telangana to increase access to HIV prevention, testing, treatment and counselling, while strengthening linkages to social protection and essential services.

Our approach

- HIV prevention & testing
- Treatment and counselling
- Follow-up and referral support
- Social protection linkages
- Stigma reduction
- Community outreach



Andhra Pradesh | Providing essential food support to help people living with HIV maintain better nutrition and wellbeing.

Impact

250k+ individuals sensitised on HIV prevention

197k+ individuals tested for HIV

- Earlier detection and increased uptake of HIV services
- Better continuity of care
- Reduced stigma and discrimination

12. Mental health, system strengthening and social emotional learning

The programme strengthens school-community mental health systems and equips children, adolescents and youth with social-emotional skills, resilience and access to quality psychosocial support.

Our approach

- School-based mental health and life skills education
- Counselling and tele-mental health support
- Teacher capacity building and early identification
- Peer support and child clubs
- Referral linkages with health services
- Parent and caregiver engagement
- Expert mentoring and supervision

Impact

- **60%** improvement in resilience scores
- **25%** reduction in school dropouts
- **70%** of teachers able to identify early signs of distress
- increased help-seeking and timely referrals
- stronger school-community-health system linkages

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Balance sheet as at 31 March 2026
(all amounts are in Indian Rupees)

	Sch. No.	As at 31 March 2026	As at 31 March 2025
SOURCES OF FUNDS			
NPO funds			
General fund	3	9,88,86,175	9,88,46,549
Restricted / Project fund	4	2,58,92,346	3,16,95,880
Asset / Property, Plant and Equipment fund	5	1,09,35,607	1,24,16,906
Corpus fund	6	4,39,037	4,39,037
		13,61,53,165	**14,33,98,372**
Current liabilities	7	75,28,562	50,57,955
TOTAL		**14,36,81,727**	**14,84,56,327**
APPLICATION OF FUNDS			
Property, plant and equipment			
Gross block	5	4,61,57,034	4,43,94,187
Less: Accumulated depreciation / amortisation		(3,52,21,427)	(3,19,77,281)
Net block		1,09,35,607	1,24,16,906
Investments	8	5,72,65,474	5,72,40,122
Current assets, loans and advances			
Cash and bank balances	9	6,97,15,691	7,34,19,626
Short-term loans and advances	10	57,64,955	53,79,673
		7,54,80,646	7,87,99,299
TOTAL		**14,36,81,727**	**14,84,56,327**
Significant accounting policies	2		

The schedules referred to above form an integral part of the financial statements
As per our report of even date attached

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For and on behalf of
Childfund India

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Place: New Delhi
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Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2026

(all amounts are in Indian Rupees)

	Sch. No.	Unrestricted For the year ended 31 March 2026	Restricted For the year ended 31 March 2026	Total For the year ended 31 March 2026	Unrestricted For the year ended 31 March 2025	Restricted For the year ended 31 March 2025	Total For the year ended 31 March 2025
INCOME							
Grants and donations		1,11,85,741	38,66,61,924	39,78,47,665	74,84,058	34,70,94,669	35,45,78,728
Fees from rendering of services		3,01,400	-	3,01,400	-	-	-
Other income	11	45,71,098	(83,563)	44,87,535	69,25,994	1,31,501	70,57,495
Total		**1,60,58,239**	**38,65,78,361**	**40,26,36,600**	**1,44,10,052**	**34,72,26,170**	**36,16,36,222**
EXPENDITURE							
Employee benefit expenses							
Programme personnel costs:							
Relief of the Poor projects		8,98,117	6,86,43,523	6,95,41,640	-	3,08,59,350	3,08,59,350
Livelihood projects		-	25,37,053	25,37,053	-	23,82,517	23,82,517
Preventive Healthcare projects		-	2,34,57,410	2,34,57,410	-	37,93,040	37,93,040
Education projects		-	61,75,377	61,75,377	-	5,27,349	5,27,349
Fundraising and administrative personnel costs		1,22,17,510	4,40,76,644	5,62,94,154	-	2,81,66,689	2,81,66,689
Total		**1,31,15,627**	**14,48,90,007**	**15,80,05,634**	-	**6,57,28,945**	**6,57,28,945**

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#41YearsWithChildren

A glimpse of our campaign and the local supporters who brought it to life.

Scan to watch.

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