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India News

Sumithra's Story

Sumithra has always dreamed of becoming a teacher and inspiring younger generations through quality education. Having attended one of Laia Foundation's after-school centres from a young age, she was inspired by the engaging way her teachers made learning fun. After joining the Sponsorship Programme in 2020, Sumithra qualified as a teacher and now works as a teacher in a private school of a nearby town. Most importantly, she is an independent woman, able to support herself and her family financially, and shape her own future.

Looking for Sponsors!

We are still looking for sponsors for the academic year 2026/27.

If you believe in **gender equality** and want to help a student like Sumithra access higher education, let us know at **indianfuturesfundraising@gmail.com**. Sponsoring a student costs £650 a year. But we know this is too much for most people which is why the sponsorship is totally flexible. You can pay the full amount, a portion of it, sponsor with a group of friends, pay monthly, yearly, etc.

Quality environments for quality education

Last year, we completed the first half of our Sanitation Project, **Good Habits Good Futures**. The project consists of providing robust and eco-friendly sanitation facilities to two schools in rural Tamil Nadu.

In January 2026, thanks to funding from Ashworth and the Allan&Nesta Ferguson trusts, we were able to start building the facilities in Deepam Nursery and Primary. After a few hiccups, the works finally started in May. This is how it's looking now...

UK News

Feedback from our Development Day

In the last eBulletin, we let you know about our meeting with stakeholders in order to collect ideas on how to grow the charity.

We must say, the feedback has been amazing and incredibly helpful. We have a lot to action from it, but here is what we have done so far:

- **You told us we needed more volunteers** - We have created **six volunteer roles**, are currently developing them and will soon advertise them.
- **Your feedback is shaping our new strategy plan** - Thank you for all your inspiring ideas!

More info on how to get involved in our next eBulletin...