



A step towards sustainable progress

# SIKKIM

## Towards A Better Tomorrow



**DISTRICTS**  
WEST SIKKIM,  
SOUTH SIKKIM,  
EAST SIKKIM



**41,140+**  
LIVES IMPACTED



SCAN TO FOLLOW US ON  
OUR DIGITAL CHANNELS

\*Lives Impacted as of March 2025





# ABOUT PARIVARTAN

HDFC Bank's Parivartan aims at mainstreaming economically & socially challenged groups across the country by ushering growth, development and empowerment. Committed to developing sustainable ecosystems through various partnerships, we identify and support programmes that seek to develop and advance communities. HDFC Bank Parivartan has positively impacted **105.6+ million** lives pan-india.

## PILLARS OF PARIVARTAN



**2,145+**  
FARMERS  
SUPPORTED



**26+**  
ACRES OF LAND  
BROUGHT UNDER  
IRRIGATION

### RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Through its Holistic Rural Development Programme (HRDP), HDFC Bank Parivartan is driving rural transformation by promoting alternative agriculture, aquaculture, forming institutions and committees, strengthening livelihoods and building resilient, sustainable communities.



**~16,750+**  
STUDENTS  
IMPACTED  
THROUGH SMART  
SCHOOLS



**67+**  
SMART SCHOOLS  
DEVELOPED

### PROMOTION OF EDUCATION

With initiatives that aim at ensuring long-term financial stability across vulnerable communities, Parivartan aims at making world-class education accessible to our future generations.



**103+**  
COMMUNITY  
ENTERPRISES  
SUPPORTED



**22+**  
VILLAGES  
SUPPORTED  
WITH CLEAN  
DRINKING  
WATER

### SKILL TRAINING & LIVELIHOOD ENHANCEMENT

Through training, networking and financial support, Parivartan works towards upskilling and fostering an entrepreneurial spirit in marginalised communities.

### HEALTHCARE & HYGIENE

Parivartan has successfully helped in promoting safe hygiene practices and improved sanitation facilities across the state.



**5,816+\***  
SPREAD OF  
FINANCIAL FRAUD  
AWARENESS (VIGIL  
AUNTY)



### FINANCIAL LITERACY & INCLUSION

Parivartan has enabled communities to break the cycle of poverty and enter the banking fold.

### NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Parivartan revitalises rural ecosystems by restoring water bodies, rejuvenating soil health, and implementing sustainable natural resource management practices to ensure long-term agricultural prosperity and community resilience.

\*Based on the views across digital platforms



# KEY INTERVENTIONS



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## ENHANCING LIVELIHOODS THROUGH SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

| DISTRICT - SOUTH SIKKIM

HDFC Bank Parivartan, in collaboration with Gramin Vikas Trust, is enabling holistic development in South Sikkim through the HRDP initiative. By promoting nutritious crops, supporting duck rearing, enhancing education through smart schools and anganwadi upgrades, and introducing solar lighting, the programme is creating sustainable livelihood opportunities. Farmers receive modern tools, livestock training, and financial literacy, while artisans are supported to preserve traditional crafts. Natural resource efforts like bamboo plantations help prevent landslides. With an integrated approach, the initiative is gently uplifting rural communities—ensuring well-being, resilience, and inclusive progress.

## STRENGTHENING RURAL FUTURES IN THE EASTERN HIMALAYAS

| DISTRICT - PAKYONG

To address income challenges caused by small landholdings and erratic rainfall, HDFC Bank Parivartan and The Citizens Foundation launched a Rural Development initiative in 19 villages across the Eastern Himalayas. Focused on tribal and marginalised families, the project promotes sustainable agriculture, livelihood training, education, healthcare, and clean energy. Community institutions like SHGs, FPOs, and VDCs are being revived to foster ownership and growth. With school upgrades, tree plantations, solar lighting, sanitary pad vending machines, and even better sports facilities, the initiative brings communities together—building resilience and gently nurturing long-term, inclusive development.



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## UPLIFTING THE RURAL POPULATION

| DISTRICT - GYALSHING

In 15 villages of the district, HDFC Bank Parivartan and People To People Health Foundation are uplifting over 13,000 lives through a comprehensive rural development initiative. From improving clean water, sanitation, and healthcare to upgrading schools and skill centres, the programme promotes long-term well-being. By supporting apple orchards, millet and bamboo farming, fish and poultry rearing, and women-led enterprises, the project enables livelihood diversification. Solar-powered water systems, rainwater harvesting, and artisan markets enhance resilience. Most importantly, strong community institutions are being nurtured—ensuring local voices lead the journey toward sustainable change.



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## BUILDING SUSTAINABLE RURAL FUTURES

HDFC Bank Parivartan and Gramin Vikas Trust are revolutionising rural livelihoods with their Holistic Rural Development Programme (HRDP). Key initiatives include introducing nutrient-rich crops like buckwheat and millet, supporting farmers with tools and training, and encouraging duck farming as a steady income source. The programme also uplifts artisans by enhancing skills and cultural heritage, renovates anganwadis, and establishes smart schools for better education. Additionally, bamboo plantations and resource management practices promote environmental sustainability. By integrating these efforts, HRDP improves safety, productivity, and quality of life, creating lasting change for rural communities.



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# STORIES OF PARIVARTAN

## BRINGING JOY BACK TO CHILDHOOD

- | BENEFICIARIES - CHILDREN AGED 0–6 YEARS, THEIR CAREGIVERS, AND ANGANWADI WORKERS
- | LOCATION - VILLAGES OF LINGTAM, MANEY DARA, RODHI, UPPER BERING, LOWER TAREYTHANG, AND DONGRONG

### THE CHALLENGE

In the quiet hills of rural Sikkim, many Anganwadi Centres had been serving communities for years, but their infrastructure gradually required attention and renewal. Limited play areas, ageing facilities, and a need for improved sanitation highlighted the importance of creating safer and more engaging spaces for children. To ensure that early learning environments remain welcoming and supportive, efforts were needed to strengthen these centres and restore the joy of learning.

### OUR INTERVENTION

Under the Holistic Rural Development Programme, HDFC Bank Parivartan and partners stepped in to reignite joy. With support from the community and local departments, six centres were transformed with:

- Hygienic kitchens for safe meal preparation
- Bright, tiled floors and clean, child-friendly toilets
- Colourful murals and vibrant classrooms
- Safe fencing and secure play areas

### THE RESULT

The transformation was more than physical—it touched hearts. Children now walk into cheerful, secure spaces that spark curiosity. Attendance has risen, and communities feel a renewed trust in early education. For many children, it's their first step into a brighter, more nurturing future.

