



## Thank you for participating in GPF's Event on 'School Education and the Role of Stakeholders'



On behalf of the entire team at Gyan Prakash Foundation (GPF), I wanted to thank you for participating in our event focusing on the Role of Stakeholders in School Education, supported by SCERT Maharashtra, on September 23rd, 2022, at YASHADA, Pune. The event was attended by the officials of the State Education Department and District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) as well as District Education Officers from 34 districts of Maharashtra.

A one-of-a-kind opportunity, this event provided a platform for 23 stakeholders—teachers, community members, and cluster/block/district officials from the 4 districts of Nandurbar, Parbhani, Solapur, and Satara—to share their experiences with the audience. They discussed current practices that impact learning outcomes, ground realities, challenges, and sustainability of change in the context of their school/cluster/block/district. District officials also had the chance to interact with each other and exchange ideas on how they could take ownership of change in their district.

The first session on '**Teacher Empowerment**' acknowledged the power of the Shikshan Parishad as a platform for teacher development, classroom planning, and discussing children's learning and progress. The second session on '**Community Participation and Ownership**' focused on the roles and responsibilities of parents, the School Management Committees, the community and the Panchayat Raj system towards the school and child education. The speakers shared experiences of what motivated them to engage with the community and what the outcomes were of their efforts. The final session on the '**Role of Block and District Level Stakeholders**' brought out the significance of the involvement and coordination between stakeholders at the district, block, and cluster level and the impact of need-based planning on child learning outcomes.

This event truly demonstrated that collaboration among teachers, communities, and officials plays a significant role in leading the movement towards sustainable and equitable education for every child.

We look forward to staying connected with you. Please feel free to reach out to me if you need any more information or want to share your thoughts and ideas.

Regards,  
 Pallavi Mukhedkar  
 Program Director,  
 Gyan Prakash Foundation



Inaugural speech by the dignitaries



Panel Discussion

Today's presentation was extremely memorable. The unique thing about today is that we discovered the power and importance of this process of Education Gramsabha, which was a new subject to us. We are currently considering how we may implement similar plans in our district. We will strive to provide themes for monthly meetings of the School Management Committees, based on what was discussed today, and detail out what will happen in that month. Coordination between the centre head, group education officer, and district education training institution is critical. We may include the initiatives of the Akanksha Foundation and the Gardi Foundation for urban school development into future planning.

**Mr. Prabhakar Kshirsagar**  
 Senior Lecturer,  
 District Institute of Education and Training, Pune

There is a need for greater knowledge of the tasks and responsibilities of the School Management Committees in rural areas. In today's conversation, I want to draw attention to this issue. At our level, we felt the necessity for good preparation. From the government level, it is believed vital to include education in the Panchayat Raj system's empowerment process. Vidhyanjali portal should be used, and we understand that we need to enhance education council planning from now on.

**Mrs. Jayashree Athawale**  
 Principal,  
 District Education and Training Institute, Nanded

Only those who did it, delivered in today's session, telling what happened and sharing their knowledge on how it may be done. It's been a delight. This will undoubtedly be useful to me as I develop my district.

**Mr. Milind Kubade**  
 Principal, District Education and Training Institute, Amravati

Comments by the audience