

How Tablets Helped Children Overcome Addiction and Catch Up on Learning

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Recounts a visit to a Mumbai NGO working with recovering street children affected by substance abuse, where 40 tablets preloaded with personalized, local-language content cut the typical 18-month rehabilitation-to-school-readiness timeline down to under 6 months. Framed as part of the '#SchoolsOfBharat' series, the piece emphasizes dignity restoration and accelerated learning alongside academic gains.

Hi,

On a recent visit to an NGO in Mumbai that works with street children recovering from substance abuse, I came across something I wasn't prepared for.

These were children who had been through more than most adults ever will — abandoned, addicted, and years behind in learning. The NGO supports both their rehabilitation and education, a journey that typically takes over 1.5 years before they are even ready for formal schooling.

But this time, something was different.

With just 40 tablets — each preloaded with local language curriculum aligned content, unrestricted access to all grades and a personalized learning system, the impossible started becoming possible. The same journey that took 18 months now takes less than 6. I've captured that experience in a short video.

Watch the story to see what I saw and what truly changed everything

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This is not just a story about technology.

It's about restoring dignity, accelerating learning, and rebuilding lives.

Do check out more stories from #schoolsofbharat here.

If you're interested in learning more about our solutions and how they can be enabled in your education projects, you may write to me.

Thanks and Regards,

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