

Children and Youth Resource Centre



Budget 2026-27

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Background

- ❖ Supported by Asha Bangalore since 2010
- ❖ The Children & Youth Resource Center (CYRC) of Timbaktu Collective is a space for village children and youth to have access to a library, arts & craft, laboratory, computers and playground. It also acts as a vocational training centre for adolescent girls. The skills include tailoring, weaving, bamboo work, wood work, etc.
- ❖ It forms part of the Chiguru programme which engages with children and youth. Other programs include Mogga - the federation of children's clubs, and publishing of the magazine, Chinnari Nestham.
- ❖ Timbaktu Collective works extensively in various grassroots initiatives in Sri Satya Sai District (formerly Ananthapur), Andhra Pradesh. Projects undertaken by Timbaktu Collective have also been supported by other Asha chapters.

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Salary - CYRC Incharge		3,84,000	3,85,198
Salary - CYRC Volunteers	3,60,000		
Salary - CYRC Office assistant	1,50,000	1,44,000	1,48,680
Salary - CYRC Security	72,000	36,000	37,176
Total - Salaries	5,82,000	5,64,000	5,71,054
Study materials for CYRC	36,000		
Maintenance of CYRCs	2,16,000	2,16,000	2,08,946
	₹ 8,34,000 ₹	7,80,000 ₹	7,80,000

Notes to the Budget

- ❖ The budget presented by the project partner was reviewed and revised.
- ❖ During the previous year, we had supported the salary of the CYRC incharge. This year, they have sought assistance for salary of 3 volunteers. CYRC operates through volunteers and cadres. Volunteers engage with the project on a full-time basis.
- ❖ During my visit in June 2026, I have met the CYRC incharge as well as the volunteers.
- ❖ We support a part of the maintenance cost of the three centres. It includes a nominal rent (space owned by co-operatives), electricity, and other general maintenance expenses.
- ❖ CYRC is also supported by various other institutions and we support the project only partially.

Thank you

Appendix - Summary of Report on activities during 2025-26 submitted by CYRC

- ❖ The theme for the year was “Providing opportunities for Experiential learning among children and youth.”
- ❖ During the project period, around 6,100 children and youth visited the three CYRCs. At least around 1800 students visit on a regular basis.
- ❖ Important festivals during the year include 1. *Pillala Atala Panduga* (Children’s Festival of Games and Sports); 2. *Yuvatha Atala Panduga* (Youth Festival of Games and Sports); 3. Ambedkar Jayanthi; 4. *Muggula Panduga* (Festival of Rangoli); 5. Science Day.
- ❖ A total of 40 Children’s Camps and 10 Youth Camps were conducted across three CYRCs.
- ❖ Entrance coaching and academic support sessions were held for 10th and intermediate level students at Chennekothapalli CYRC
- ❖ Engagement remained high during summer holidays and on weekends.
- ❖ The CYRCs also served a space for electing the members and conveners for the federation members and convenors.
- ❖ Regular publication of Chinnari Nestam once every two months.