

Remote Mountain Education

IND-ENA-RME-P02



Northern India



Education



Tax deductible

3 Year Project: Jan 2025 to Dec 2027

Total Budget: \$231,000

Current Year Funding Required:

\$77,000



POPULATION

1.45 billion

POVERTY

21.9% of the population below national poverty line

HEALTH

Life expectancy at birth: 72 years

EDUCATION

Mean years of school (adults) 6.9 years

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX

Ranking out of 193 nations India 130 (Aust 7)

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Overview

This education program serves remote agricultural communities in Uttarakhand, Northern India. Villagers here rely on farming and small trades and have limited access to healthcare and infrastructure. Local families are very poor which usually means that children do not receive an education. The aim of this project is to ensure that children in these villages have access to quality education, providing them a pathway out of poverty, as well as having a positive impact on the entire community. Entrust will support four established schools to provide education for the 267 students currently enrolled. Year 2 budget is \$77,000.

Why support this:

Limited government schooling in remote villages of Uttarakhand, coupled with inconsistent teacher attendance, has led to low literacy rates, especially among girls. Many parents prefer English-medium education for better job prospects and to prevent child labour. Migration from the hilly region is driven by lack of employment, education, and healthcare. Children with disabilities are often excluded due to inadequate resources in government schools. Establishing inclusive, high-quality English-medium schools is vital for providing new learning opportunities, and upgrading existing schools is crucial to supporting students progressing to higher grades.

Objectives Include:



Quality English-based education for 267 kids



Capacity building of 34 teachers and 7 ancillary staff



Awareness campaigns on social and environmental issues



Health and disability assessments

Expected life Change

- Education empowers children, equipping them with English communication skills and enhancing future opportunities.
- Equal access to education for both girls and boys leads to better job prospects and fosters a more equitable society.
- A more engaged community recognises the importance of children's education in reducing poverty.