

# FORTIFYING FUTURES







ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24





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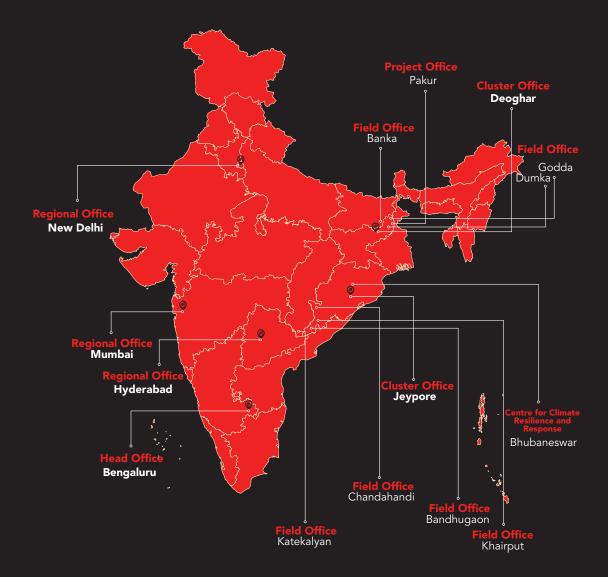
# Our Team



Staff Retreat in Puri, Odisha

# About Us

Rise Against Hunger India envisions a world without hunger with its meticulously crafted program pathways. The organisation ensures nutrition security for vulnerable populations, seamlessly aligning with the UN Sustainable Development Goal #2 (Zero Hunger). With 9 impactful years of operations, Rise Against Hunger India's activities have reached 135 districts in 23 states through direct interventions as well as a network of about 300 partners.



# **Our Guiding Principles**



A world without Hunger

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**Our Mission** 



Communities

Nourishing Empowering

Lives



Emergency

Response



Growing the

Movement

### **Our Values**

- P Passionate
- L Lively
- A Agile
- T Transparent
- E Empathetic

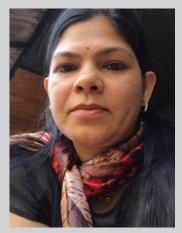
# **Trustees & Advisory Board**



Hatim Dawasaz Founder Trustee



Hatim Amreliwala Founder Trustee



Dr. Deepali Thakur Board Member



Kamlesh Nichani Board Member



Kalpana Subbaramappa Board Member



Dr. Sherebanu Milky Board Member

# From the Executive Director's Desk



Dear Reader,

I am delighted to have this opportunity to present the Annual Report of Rise Against Hunger India for 2023-24. There have been many accomplishments this year and this report is a testimony to the organisation's perseverance, dedication and impact towards nourishing lives, empowering communities, responding to emergencies and building a vigorous movement to eliminate hunger and ensuring nutrition security.

One of the pleasures of compiling an annual report is the opportunity to look back and be grateful for the achievements, and to reflect on the challenging moments that made us stronger. Within this report, you will find comprehensive insights into our efforts to combat nutritional challenges faced by the vulnerable communities, and how empowering them as agents of change helped in bringing sustainable transformation.

Our impact towards nutrition security was significant with more than 9,000 volunteers packaging 7.2 million fortified meals.

During this year, we strengthened our relationship with the rural communities and guided by a set of 17 research indicators, we developed a framework for the Hunger Free Village initiative. This laid the groundwork for initiating multiple community based projects in the aspirational districts of Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, and Chhattisgarh.

Our efforts extended further with significant community mobilisation projects such as Meal For Development (M4D), sanitation drives, health camps, and engaging school activities for students. These initiatives have been pivotal in fostering community participation, sustainability, and self-reliance.

A major highlight of the year was the establishment of the Centre for Climate Resilience and Response in Bhubaneswar to steadfastly work towards advancing climate mitigation and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards and natural disasters.

Through our intervention in disaster response across various regions of the country, over 22,700 people were served nutritious meals.

This journey has been possible only because of the commitment, unstinting support and valuable inputs from our Board Members and dedicated colleagues in the quest to drive transformation for the communities we work with.

As we head towards the tenth year of operations and embrace more challenging goals, I would like to conclude by thanking all our partners, donors, volunteers and supporters whose unwavering support in bolstering our mission towards zero hunger has been instrumental in catalysing positive change and enhancing the impact year on year.

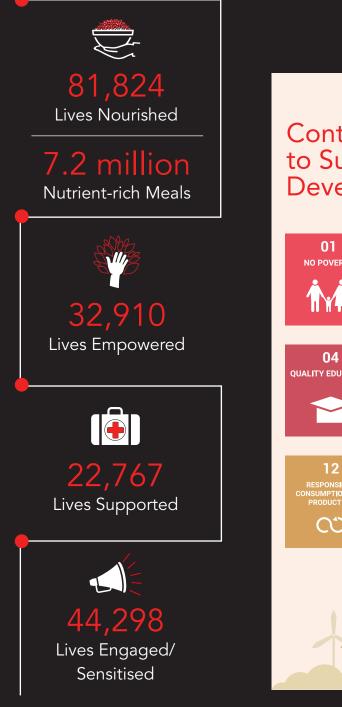
Best Wishes,

### Dola Mohapatra

Executive Director Rise Against Hunger India

# **Expanding Our Reach**

In 2023-24, Rise Against Hunger India's programs brought positive change to the lives of **1,81,799** individuals across the most vulnerable sections of society.



### Contribution to Sustainable Development Goals



# Nourishing Lives

Rise Against Hunger India is driven by the core belief that nourishing lives is foundational to creating a world without hunger. Our commitment to nourishing lives extends to providing fortified meals to vulnerable groups (orphans, low-income groups, persons with disabilities, people affected with chronic illnesses, pregnant and lactating mothers, destitute children, abandoned senior citizens etc) in urban and rural settings. These meals are not just a source of sustenance, but also linchpin for an individual's holistic development and crucial to addressing malnutrition.

Through partnerships with Corporates, Educational Institutions, Schools, and Civic Groups, we engage with thousands of volunteers in packaging these nutritious meals and distribute them through our 300+ NGO partners operating in diverse regions of the country. Partnering with dedicated NGOs nationwide, we ensure that these meals reach the marginalised groups, fostering health, resilience, and hope in the communities we serve.



### Key Highlights

- Launched the flagship Maternal and Child Health & Nutrition Program under which 52 community kitchens were established across 9 districts of Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh & Odisha to improve the nutritional well being of 1,250 pregnant, lactating mothers and children
- School Nutrition Garden program was implemented across 30 schools located in Odisha, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand benefitting 2,226 children
- As a Ni-kshay Mitra partner under the Pradhan Mantri TB Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan, 400 TB patients availed 1,56,168 nutritious meals across four states
- Sanitation drive benefitted 4,079 people from 116 villages, providing them with effective training on safe hygiene practices, safe management of drinking water
- Handwashing Program implemented with installation of handwashing stations in 50 schools and 51 Anganwadi Centres
- With support from the Government Health Departments, health camps were conducted across 13 villages, screening 435 residents and providing them with necessary treatments

# **Empowering Communities**

We are committed to empowering the rural communities through targeted efforts to bolster agricultural production and increase their income. By promoting sustainable and resilient agricultural methods, offfarm and non-farm activities, increasing a rural participant's access to knowledge and technology, providing essential training and business skills, facilitating access to markets and agricultural value chains, we empower communities to have an increased access to improved diet and diversified livelihood, and the potential to thrive economically.



### Key Highlights

- Seed Bank project in Khairput, Malkangiri benefited over 434 farmers across four villages, supporting them with three types of traditional crop seeds (620 Kgs)
- Community led projects under the Meals for Development (M4D) initiative resulted in the creation
  of 19 community assets like cemented platform, road, soakpit in rural locations across four states
- Under the Social Security Entitlement initiative, survey of 1,320 households were done & enrollment of 164 individuals facilitated for inclusion in central & state government schemes
- Piggery project supported 53 tribal farmers from the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG) with 136 pigs
- An Automatic Rice Mill Machine was inaugurated for farmers with support from Ahinsa FPCL in Bargarh, Odisha benefitting 5,000 farmers

# **Responding to Emergencies**

In the face of natural and human induced disasters, Rise Against Hunger India remains committed to delivering relief responses to those in need. The relief kit comprises ready to cook food packets with nutritional supplements, water filtration system and a hygiene kit. We understand that prompt action is crucial in cases of emergencies to alleviate longterm suffering, preventing starvation, providing a sense of security, particularly among the vulnerable populations; it also supports the psychological wellbeing of people impacted, thereby facilitating faster recovery and rebuilding efforts. These vital resources are distributed through our extensive network of NGO partners and local community groups, to ensure a seamless and effective response.

**13,667** people received relief kits in FY24 in Delhi, Tamil Nadu, Manipur, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra



### Key Highlights

- In a major milestone, the Centre for Climate Resilience and Response was established in Bhubaneswar as a steadfast commitment towards responding to emergencies and promoting climate resilient practices
- During the severe heatwave, Drinking Water Shades offered cold water and awareness about effective heat stroke prevention methods to over 8,700 people in Odisha, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand
- In the aftermath of Cyclone Michuang, 1,186 households/ 4,837 people in Chennai and Andhra Pradesh were provided with 41,040 meals
- Over 1,00,000 meals were distributed to 4,000 people affected during the Manipur ethnic riots
- During the Delhi floods in July 2023, cooked food was distributed to 4,430 individuals across 17 locations
- 100 households affected in the fire incident in Malad area of Mumbai in April 2023 were supported with 4,320 meals

# Growing the Movement

Volunteers are central to the mission of Rise Against Hunger India. Through a robust volunteer network we package fortified and micro-nutrient rich meals for the communities we serve. We engage with these volunteers by organising community meal packaging events, conducting nutritioneducation sessions with schools and colleges, virtual volunteering, and conducting various activities with them on significant days.

But the fight against hunger requires concerted efforts. Beyond meal packaging, we unite volunteers across ages and backgrounds, believing in collective action to amplify their voices for food and nutrition security. By engaging with individuals who are equally passionate about giving back, we have built a network of 21,000 volunteers who inspire us in many ways.



### Key Highlights

- Rise Against Hunger India was recognised as a Ni-kshay Mitra by the Chhattisgarh government under the Pradhan Mantri TB Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan; In collaboration with the government, the Ni-kshay Mitra program supported 400 TB patients
- Celebration of Special Days/Poshan Maah and Hunger Action Month nearly had 11,000 participants in clusters and urban areas
- A total of 9,094 volunteers were part of Rise Against Hunger India's meal packaging events this year

# Impact Story Register of Care



More than just a community kitchen, the one in Kirsanipada of Khairaput block in Odisha's Malkangiri district, resembles a classroom at first sight. Like diligent students, the women participants of the community kitchen arrive, and before settling down, they make sure to greet Budhai Sisa (25), a young mother of a two-monthold girl. Budhai sits on an elevated mud platform, holding her attendance register in one hand and cradling her daughter in the other. With a swift flip, she opens her register and begins the roll call.

Budhai's meticulous record keeping serves as a daily information register aiding in monitoring the health of the women attending the kitchen.

"I do this every day. With

this register, we can identify who is absent and who is present," says Budhai balancing the register and her infant daughter. Budhai's register features neatly organised columns listing the names of every woman and child who visit the centre. There's a column for the date, used for daily attendance, and at the end of each month. Rise Against Hunger India's staff assists her in filling additional columns for weight measurements and Body Mass Index (BMI).

Budhai, an eighth-grade dropout and belonging to the Bonda tribe, understands her role well as the caretaker of the fellow women.When



asked about the purpose of her register beyond marking attendance, she asserts, "It's more than that. Taking attendance keeps us informed about everyone. Today, attendance is complete, and I don't have to worry."

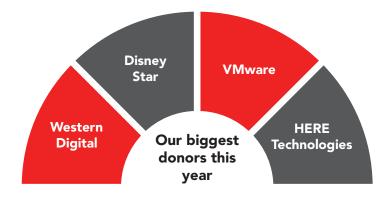
"But it's not always like that," she adds, recalling an incident. "Sometime ago, a woman didn't come for 4-5 days straight. Although I marked her absence in the register, I felt something was amiss, so I visited her home. There, I found her alone and down with a fever.I stayed with her, nursed her, and she recovered in a few days. I knew she was absent only because I was tracking her through my register."

Since then, if women enrolled in the community kitchen are absent for two consecutive days, Budhai makes it a point to visit their home. "It's become a habit now. I go to their house, and if they don't provide a valid reason for their absence, I explain to them the importance of nutrition and what they are missing by not coming to the centre," she says.

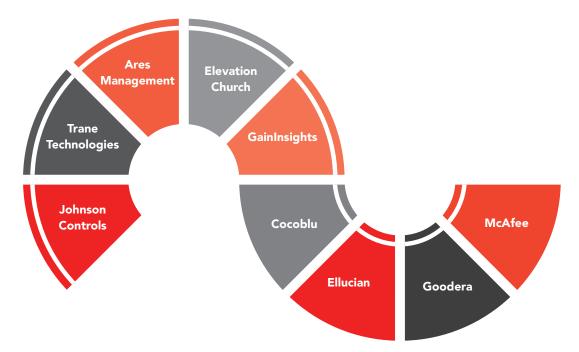
But that's not all she does. "As the dining area is close to my house, I fetch water and prepare utensils for washing for the community kitchen every day," she says. Truly, a compassionate Samaritan!

## **Corporate Partners**

Throughout the year, Rise Against Hunger India continued to receive support from its established 95+ corporate partners in serving those in need.



Additionally, we welcomed 9 new corporate partners to join us in our mission to end hunger



# **NGO** Partners

Bengaluru			
Sanrakhshan			
Prasanna Trust			
Prerana Resource Centre			
Auxilium Navajeevana			
Mathru Educational Trust			
Nava Karnataka Social Service Trust			
Gardencity Jeevitha Anathashram			
Sneha Jyoti Ashraya			
SOcare Ind			
MOTHER			
AiR Foundation			
Need Base India			
Sipani Ashram			
Children's Village Foundation			
ICCM			
Karnataka Domestic			
Vidyaranya			
Shaloms Charitable Trust			
Christic Novatma			
Navchetana			
Bethel Child Care Centre			
Mitr Sanketha			
Manav Charity			
SARWC			
Saadhya			
New Baldwin Vidhya Samsthe			
Krishnashray			
Gandhi Old Age Home			
Vinayaka Charitable Trust			
Home of Faith Charitable Trust			
Sebama			
Feed the Need			
Anugrah Children Home			
New Mighty Grace Charitable Foundation			
Anthargange Vidya Samsthe			
Helpline Foundation			
SMILE			
Sagara Education and Development Society (SEDS)			
Kalpa Raksha Educational & Charitable Trust			
Vidyaniketan			
Life Challenge Trust			
Prajakirana Seva Charitable Trust			
Karnataka Vishwamanava Seva Trust			
Vishwa Kalanikethana Trust			
Hyderabad			
For You Foundation			
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Don Bosco Navajeevan
S.S Anaaporna Trust
Sai Seva Sangh
Devnar Foundation
Chaitanya Mahila Mandali
Children of Deccan Foundation
Sudheer Foundation
Cherish Foundation
Mathru Abhaya Foundation
Lalana Foundation
Krishna Sadan
Cheers Foundation
Maharashtra
Sahara Sangati
Jubilee Tabernacle (Abundant Life Ministries)
Seal Ashram
AIDS Combact International
Real Happiness of Life Foundation (Grace of Glory)
Amcha Ghar
Sri Sant Gadge Mission
Holy Star
Ministry of Blind (Pune)
Drona Foundation (Pune)
Prerana Bahuddeshiya Samajik Sanstha (Pune)
Drona Foundation (Mumbai)
Jyothi's Charitable Trust
Nav Nirman
Lok Seva Sangham
Anugrah Jeevan Sansthan
We Can We Will
Touch
Rotract Club
All Is Well Foundation
OASIS
Rotary Club
Ashta Vinayak Seva Bharti Sanstha
Chaitanya Shikshan Sanstha
Jan Kalyan Vidhayak Samiti
Good Shepherds Home
Noble Ministries
PATH
John Paul Street Development Project
Delhi
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Railway Children India
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# **Financial Report**

2023-24

Balance Sheet as on March 31,2024	
Particulars	In Rupees as on
	March 31, 2024
Source of Funds	
Corpus Fund	1,100
Asset Fund	3,37,40,577
General Fund	13,96,25,004
Total	17,33,66,681
Application of Funds	
Fixed Assets	3,37,40,577
Investments	11,18,10,640
Current Assets, Loans And Advances	2,78,15,464
Total	17,33,66,681
Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended Marc	h 31, 2024
Particulars	In Rupees as on
	March 31, 2024
Income	

Income	
General Donations /Contributions	9,69,15,617
Income From Investments	75,54,506
Total (A)	10,44,70,123
Expenditure	
Programme Expense	15,43,04,302
Administration and General Expenses	90,37,270
Depreciation and Amortisation	26,98,843
Total (B)	16,60,40,414
Net Surplus/Deficit for the year (A-B)	-6,15,70,291



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