AYOTI

Hope for the future

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KATRA · REASI DISTRICT · JAMMU & KASHMIR

Rebuilding Spaces, *Restoring* Childhoods

Transforming rural education & holistic childhood development in Jammu & Kashmir.

Hope for the future

About AYOTI

Safe Spaces

Holistic Growth

Community Roots

every child feels

Academic and

Programs built with

protected and

emotional

and for local families

valued

development in

Environments where

equal measure

THE PROBLEM WE WITNESSED

The problem we witnessed

1–2 hrs

the distance as many as 105 children walk every day, just to reach school



OUR PHILOSOPHY

Our Philosophy

What We Believe

What We Pursue

Education is shaped not only by

Beyond infrastructure, AYOTI focuses

curriculum, but by the environments

on holistic childhood development

in which children learn, play, reflect,

through recreational spaces, reading

and grow. A classroom should feel

culture, digital literacy, wellness

safe, inspiring, peaceful, and

initiatives, sports, creativity, and

emotionally supportive — especially

community-centered learning.

for children in underserved

Restoring dignity, confidence, and

communities.

hope can transform a child's entire relationship with education.

OUR APPROACH

Our Approach

Infrastructure Development

Digital Literacy

Rebuilding classrooms, sanitation, and

bridge the gap in modern learning

school compounds to meet children's

opportunities

Introducing technology access to

needs

Wellness & Recreation

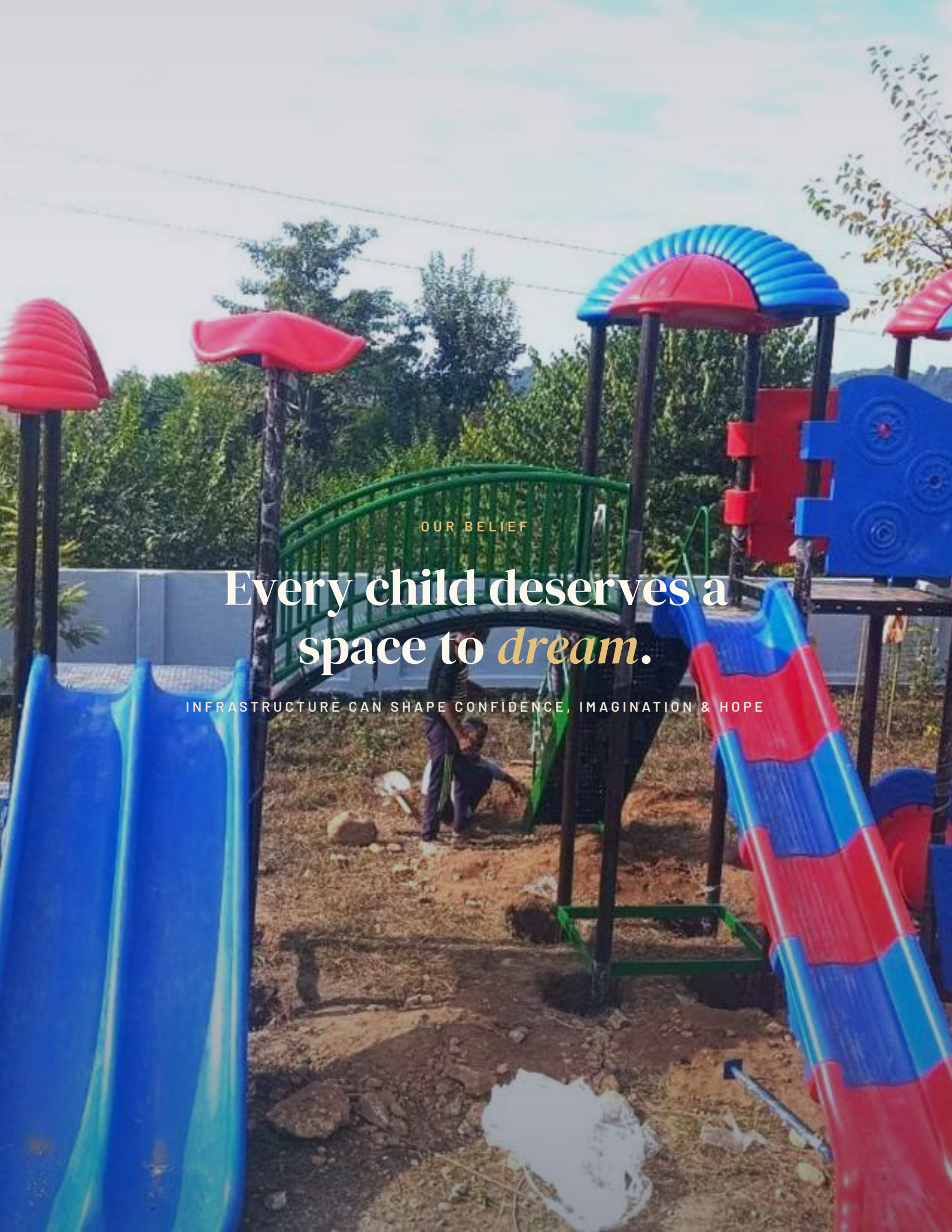
Community Partnerships

Sports, creativity, and wellness-focused

Working alongside educators, families,

spaces to support the whole child

and local organizations for lasting change



OUR BELIEF

Every child deserves a space to *dream*.

INFRASTRUCTURE CAN SHAPE CONFIDENCE, IMAGINATION & HOPE

HOW WE WORK

The project journey

Each phase keeps the community at the centre — from identifying needs to celebrating completed spaces.

01

Community Assessment

Evaluate local needs and resources to establish a baseline.

02

Infrastructure Planning

Design sustainable systems based on the initial assessment findings.

03

Active Reconstruction

Implement the plan, building and restoring community infrastructure.

04

Handover & Sustainability

Transition ownership and ensure long-term operational success.

FEATURED PROJECT

FEATURED PROJECT Buttan Government Middle School Katra, Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir

Buttan Government Middle School Katra, Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir The Buttan Government Middle School transformation project was initiated with the vision of creating a safer, more inspiring, and emotionally supportive learning environment for children in the region. AYOTI Foundation worked closely with community stakeholders and local supporters to help reimagine the school as a space that encourages dignity, creativity, confidence, and holistic childhood development.

Understanding the Challenge

Deteriorating Walls & Roofs

Inadequate Sanitation

Uninspiring Classrooms

Years of exposure

Toilet facilities were

Bare, damaged

and limited

broken down,

interiors offered little

maintenance left

posing health and

stimulus for

structural surfaces

dignity concerns for

creativity or

in urgent need of

students

emotional safety

repair

Where every dollar made a difference

Every dollar goes directly to rebuilding the school and giving each child a complete year of care.

50%

enrolment growth in the first year after reopening

365

days of care — everything a child needs, all year

WHAT A FULL YEAR AT BUTTAN INCLUDES

- Warm daily meals, served with dignity
- Digital learning & computer lab
- Personality development
- Festivals & celebrations
- Tracksuits — summer & winter
- School supplies, notebooks & backpacks
- A safe, rebuilt place to learn & play
- AYOTI teachers & English fluency
- Mental maths & abacus
- Recreational activities & picnics
- Summer camp
- New shoes
- New-year gifts when school reopens

Families are choosing Buttan over private schools.

Parents have moved their children out of private schools and into this renewed government school — a powerful vote of confidence in what AYOTI has built.

WATCH

Buttan Middle School, Katra

Renovation work in full swing at Government Middle School, Buttan — an update from AYOTI Foundation. Watch the full film below.



Scan the code or follow the link to watch the full film from Buttan.

Before: The State of the School









These images document the condition of Buttan Government Middle School prior to intervention — peeling walls, exposed brick, broken surfaces, and sanitation facilities in disrepair. Each photograph tells a story of neglect that no child should have to learn within.

Documenting Decay









Every corner of the school compound bore the marks of years without adequate care. Broken sanitation blocks, crumbling plaster, and exposed surfaces stood as silent testimony to what so many children endured each day. These images served as the foundation for AYOTI's restoration plan.

The Weight of Neglect



Moss-covered walls and broken facades — a school that had stood forgotten for too long, waiting for someone to believe in it again.

A School That Remembered Its Name



The gate still bore its sign. Beneath the weathered yellow paint, a community's hope had never fully faded.

Walls That Told a Story of Waiting



Cracked surfaces, streaked with years of rain — a visual record of what happens when resources and attention are withheld from children who deserve better.

Every Crack Was a Call to Act



These images became AYOTI's commitment — a promise that what was broken would be rebuilt with care, purpose, and hope.

Sanitation in Disrepair



Broken toilet blocks — a stark reminder that dignity in education begins with the most basic of facilities being functional, safe, and accessible to every child.

Before the First Stroke of Paint



This is where the story of transformation begins — not with the finished result, but with the honest acknowledgment of what was, and the courage to change it.

THE TRANSFORMATION

Where change began — one classroom at a time

The transformation focused on improving infrastructure while preserving the school's role as a meaningful community space — guided by the belief that classrooms should feel welcoming, peaceful, and hopeful for every child.

Classroom improvements, environmental enhancements, and long-term planning all worked toward a more supportive atmosphere. The work was physical — but the intention was always deeply human.

Each renovation decision was made with children in mind first — how a space would make them feel, not just how it would function.



The Work Begins



Preparation work underway — clearing, cleaning, and laying the groundwork for a school that would finally reflect the potential of the children within its walls.

Layer by Layer, Hope Returns



Fresh plaster and new surface work begin to erase decades of deterioration, replacing decay with the promise of renewal.

Hands at Work, Hearts in Purpose



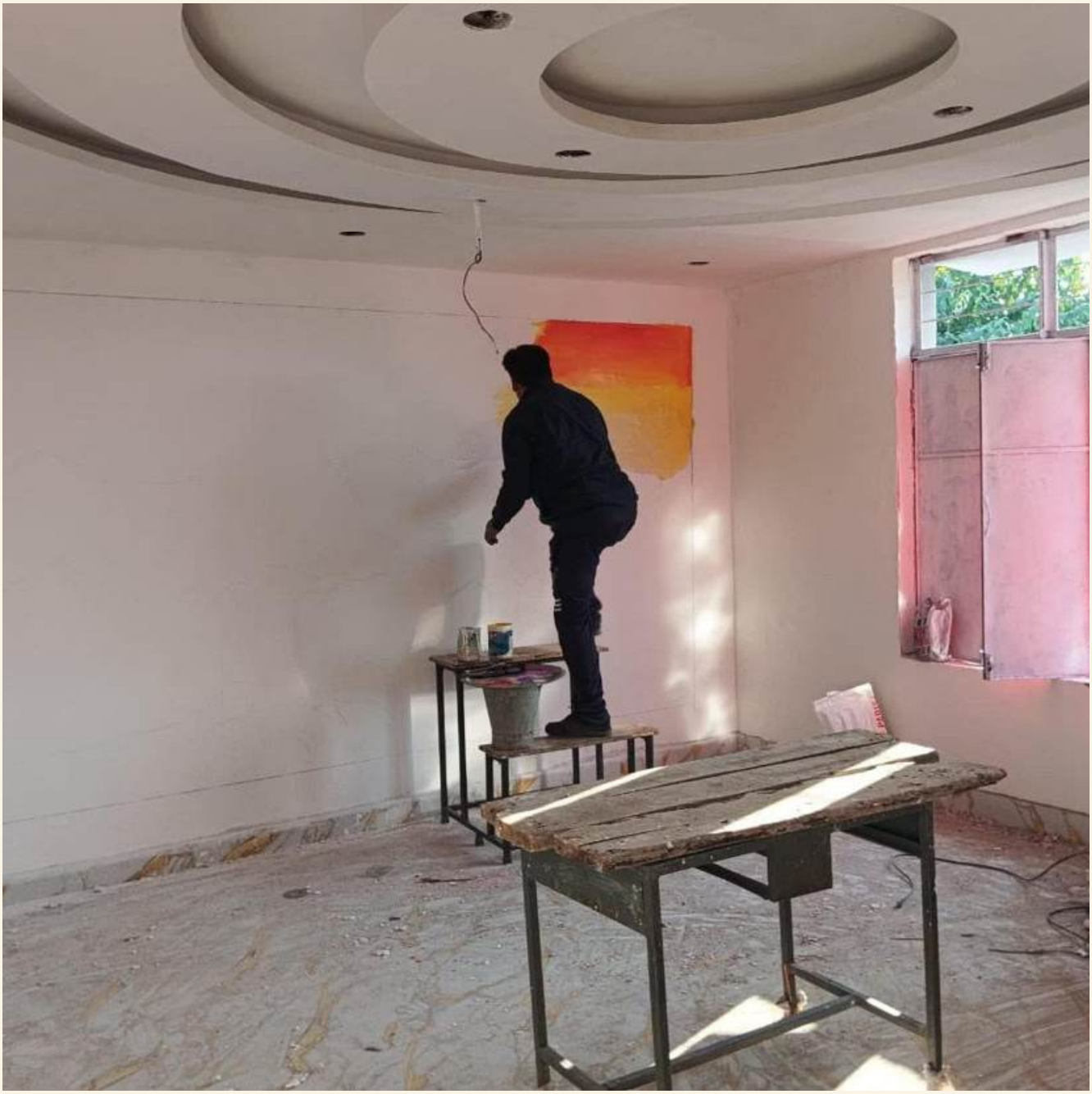
Every worker who touched this school understood they were not just repairing a building — they were restoring a future for the children who would one day fill these rooms.

Transformation in Progress



The structural work continues — each completed section a milestone in AYOTI's commitment to creating a space worthy of every child's dream.

New Foundations, New Possibilities



Flooring, walls, and structural reinforcements take shape — a school being rebuilt from the ground up, one detail at a time.

Progress in Every Frame









From plastering and painting to flooring and repairs, each image in this sequence captures a moment of deliberate, hopeful work. These are not just construction photographs — they are evidence of a community's belief that their children deserve more.

Restoring Color, Hope, and Dignity



A freshly painted surface speaks volumes — to children who arrive each morning, color signals that someone cared enough to make things beautiful for them.

Transformation Began One Wall at a Time



No section was too small to matter. Each repaired wall, each painted surface, was a quiet act of belief in the children who would inherit this renewed space.

From Forgotten Rooms to Inspiring Spaces



What were once forgotten rooms began transforming into safe and inspiring environments for children to learn and grow — a promise made visible in every newly finished surface.

A School Reborn — Where Dreams Now Have a Door



Clean lines, fresh paint, and renewed structure — this is the school that children now walk into each morning, heads held higher than before.

Every Tile Laid Was a Promise Kept



From the floors beneath their feet to the ceilings above their heads — every material element of this renovation was an act of faith in the future of these children.

Where Hope Was Rebuilt From Scratch



A vertical story of restoration — showing the full scope of what careful, intentional construction can achieve when guided by a genuine belief in **a child's right to dignity.**

More Than Concrete — It's a Promise





Every material used, every surface repaired, every room restored — each element of this project carried the weight of a promise made to children who had waited far too long for someone to invest in their future.

Childhood Reclaimed



A bright, clean, welcoming space — this is what childhood looks like when adults choose to act on their responsibility to the next generation.

Every Wall Whispers Change









Then and Now — Worlds Apart





Side by side, before and after. The contrast is unmistakable — the difference between a school that has been forgotten and one that has been loved back to life through collective will and purposeful action.

Purpose in Every Stroke







Each stroke of paint, each repaired surface, was an act of intentionality — communicating to every child who walks these halls that they are worthy of beautiful, dignified spaces.

Standing Proud Again



A school exterior transformed — clean, bright, and welcoming. What was once a source of discouragement is now a beacon of pride for the entire community of Buttan.

Proof in Every Frame









A Sanctuary Rebuilt



Light, space, and cleanliness — the three gifts this renovation gave to every student who now calls this their school.

Details That Matter Most





It is in the details where transformation truly lives — new window frames, level flooring, finished corners. These spaces tell a child: you are worth this care.

Two Truths, One Story





Two photographs — same school, different realities. One shows the weight of what was neglected. The other holds the lightness of what has been restored. Both are necessary to understand the magnitude of what AYOTI's work represents.

Every Room That Finally Breathes



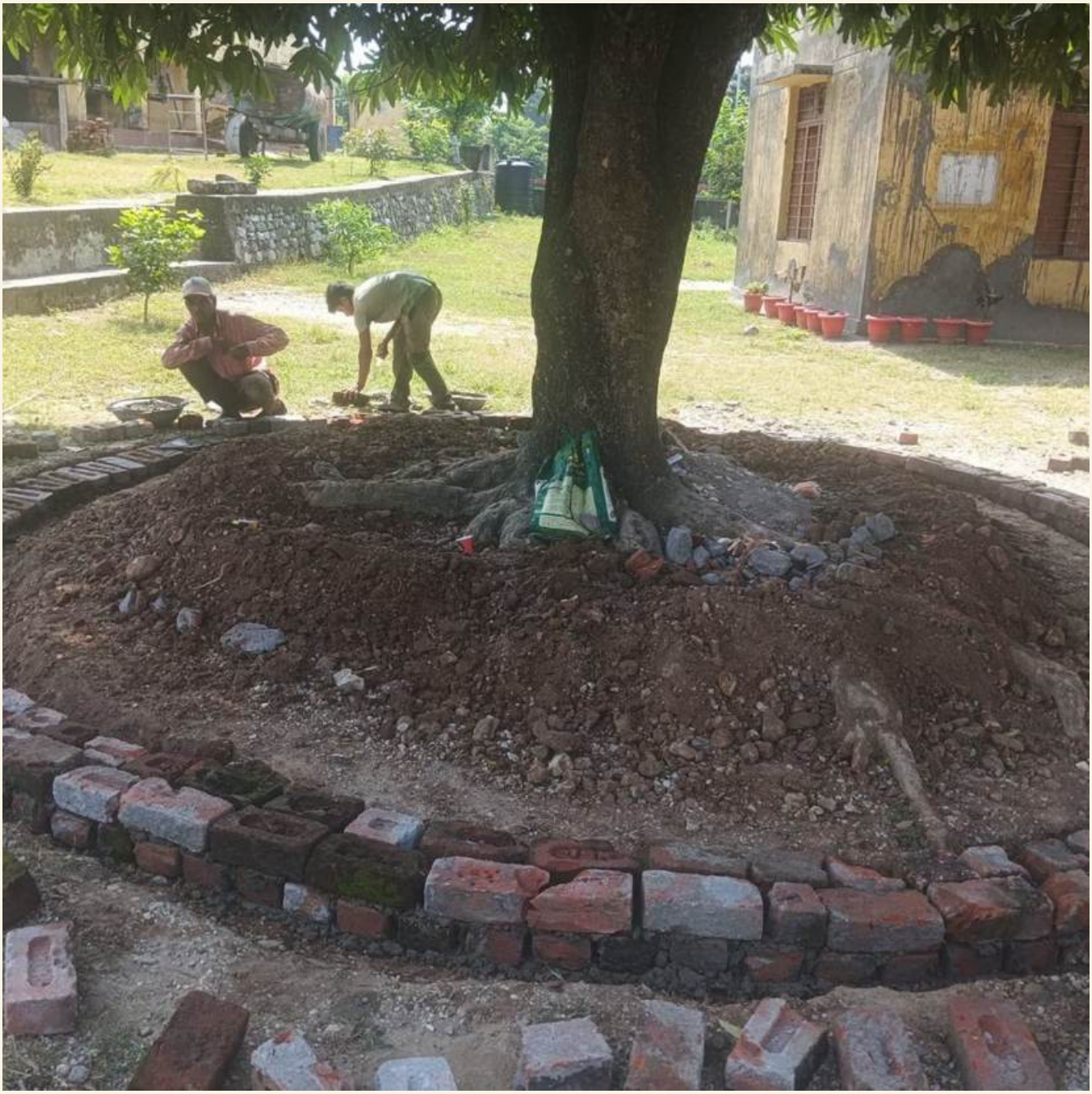
A classroom that now has air, light, and life — the kind of space where curiosity is nurtured and confidence grows with each passing day.

Where Light Found Its Way Back



Sunlight now falls on clean walls and tiled floors — a simple truth that carries profound meaning for every child who enters this renewed space.

Change You Can Touch



Tangible, visible, real — this is not a promise or a plan. This is transformation made concrete, in every sense of the word.

The Weight of Before, The Grace of After





These two images carry the full emotional arc of AYOTI's work — from the heaviness of what was left broken, to the quiet grace of what has been carefully restored with intention, community, and hope.

A NEW BEGINNING

Transformation Begins With Opening a Door



"Sometimes transformation begins with something as simple as opening a door — new doors, primed and painted, at Government Middle School Buttan."

WATCH

The Transformation, On Film

When intentions are strong, change becomes unstoppable — watch the story of Buttan's rebuild and the children who learn there today.



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COMMUNITY Community & Collaboration

Community & Collaboration The success of the Buttan Government Middle School project was made possible through the collective efforts of local communities, educators, volunteers, partners, and supporters who shared a common belief in the importance of educational access and childhood dignity.

"Collaborative engagement helped ensure that the project reflected both the immediate and long-term needs of the students and the surrounding community."

Local Communities

Educators & Staff

Volunteers & Partners

Families and neighbors

Teachers who

Individuals and

who contributed labor,

participated in planning

organizations whose

guidance, and sustained

and ensured the spaces

generosity of time,

commitment to their

would truly serve their

resources, and expertise

school's renewal

students' learning needs

made transformation possible

THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY

Together We Built What No One Could Alone



The inauguration ceremony was graced by **Padma Shri Vishwamurti Shastri ji**. Side by side, shoulder to shoulder, the community came together in shared purpose — and built something far greater than a renovated school.

Together We Built What No One Could Alone







Hands That Healed a Broken School









Unity in Action — A Community Rising







COMMUNITY & COLLABORATION

Every Volunteer Carried a Piece of the Dream







From the child receiving a gift to the volunteer who carried it there — every hand played a part in Buttan's new beginning.

Three Perspectives, One Shared Victory





From the artisan laying tile to the community elder watching the final coat of paint dry — every perspective in this story shares a single truth: this work mattered, and it was done together.



Standing Tall — Spaces Rebuilt With Heart







Broken Floors to Solid Ground





The floor beneath a child's feet is the first thing they feel when they arrive at school. From cracked and uneven surfaces to smooth, clean tile — this transformation says: you are worth solid ground.

Hope Lives on Both Sides of This Story





Before and after — not just as physical states, but as emotional ones. On one side, the weight of what was left undone. On the other, the lightness of what is now possible for every child who enters these doors.

Dignity Restored, One Room at a Time





"Dignity is not an abstract concept — it lives in the quality of the walls a child learns beside, the cleanliness of the floor they sit on, and the care embedded in every surface of the space they call school."

A Horizon That Now Holds Promise



A view outward — toward the hills, toward the future, toward a generation of children who now have a school that reflects their inherent worth and their limitless potential.

Every Angle Reflects a New Beginning



Officers and students, side by side



The community that made it possible



Women leaders who stood behind the school



The inauguration plaque · 23 Dec 2025

Every angle of this renewed school compound carries the same message — that when a community acts with intention, the results are visible from every direction.

Standing Witness to Transformation





To stand before this school after its transformation is to witness something quietly extraordinary — not a grand gesture, but a sustained act of belief, carried out one day, one wall, one room at a time.

A Collage of Courage and Change





The story of Buttan Government Middle School is not finished — it is just beginning. Each child who walks through these newly restored doors carries the full weight of this community's hope, and AYOTI Foundation is honored to have played a part in making this future possible. Thank you to every donor, volunteer, and partner who made this transformation real.

A SMALL THING THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING

Education begins where dignity is restored



Something as simple as a new pair of shoes can help restore a child's dignity, giving them a sense of self-worth, belonging, and pride. Small acts of care reach far beyond what is physical — they remind a child that they are seen, valued, and worthy of hope.

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

$250 gives a child a *full year.*

For $250 a year, you can transform a child's education at a school like Buttan — covering meals, teaching, and a safe place to learn and grow.

Meals

A warm, dignified meal every school day

Teaching

AYOTI teachers, a computer lab, and real learning

A safe place

Rebuilt rooms, sanitation, and space to play

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