



# Prayoga Institute of Education Research

To bring about a transformation in society by enhancing the utility and quality of learning through research

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Established in 2015, Prayoga is helmed by Dr H S Nagaraja, an eminent physics teacher and devoted educationist. Comprising luminaries in education, research, and philanthropy, Prayoga's Advisory Board provides invaluable strategic guidance and direction for the organisation's initiatives.



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The team includes education researchers, psychologists, scientific researchers, science and mathematics faculty, pedagogy experts, data science experts, program management professionals and others working together to find systematic and creative solutions to address the challenges of the current education system.

# Our Approach

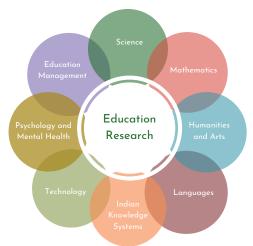






Make Teaching - Learning Resources and Research Findings Open Source

By amalgamating education research and social initiatives, Prayoga seeks not only to contribute to fundamental and long-lasting changes in education but also makes a tangible difference to the schools, teachers and students from the disadvantaged sections of the society.



Prayoga envisions becoming a
Globally Unique Transdisciplinary Education Research
Institution.

Prayoga will create a lasting impact in the next few decades to remain resonant through time and serve the cause of nation-building.

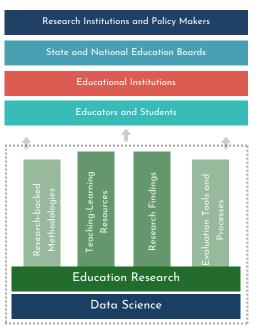
## **Education Research**

We focus on exploring fundamental questions in education and developing solutions that, while applicable broadly, specifically address the challenges of the Indian education context.

These resources and data-driven solutions will contribute to the global knowledge on education and will be made open-source to education stakeholders.

We aim to bridge the gap between education practice and education policy, implementing learning intervensions intended to improve the quality of education in the country.

Our research is rigorous and data-driven, providing valuable insights, developing implementable solutions and offers open-source courseware, materials, and adaptable learning resources.



PRAYOGA RESEARCH PLATFORM



### Thematic Research in Science

We aim to generate holistic solutions that not only have a meaningful impact on the progress of science in the country but also **drive innovation**, **foster interdisciplinary collaborations**, and shape the future of scientific discovery. Our work encompasses 5 key thematic areas.



Green Chemistry & Technologies



Advanced & Functional Materials



Earth Sciences



Wellness



Food & Agriculture

The **Prof. U R Rao Research Block** houses the laboratory facilities to conduct domain research in science with facilities for research in Physical Sciences, Chemical Sciences, Earth Sciences, and Life Sciences along with a Sophisticated Instrumentation lab. Prayoga's research block is also home to the first **Sustainability Garage**, an initiative by Mercedes-Benz Research and Development India.

What truly sets us apart at Prayoga is our strong emphasis on applied research. We understand that the most impactful innovations come when academic research is directly aligned with the needs of industries.



# Education Research and Social Impact Programs

Our social impact and education research programs have been devised by a multidisciplinary team of education researchers, experienced teaching faculty and researchers in science.

Implementation of these programs meets the quality of education we aim to foster through a strong network of field staff.

All support provided to schools, teachers, and students through our Social Impact programs comes at **no cost to the beneficiaries**. These programs are designed to uplift and empower without any financial burden, ensuring that quality educational resources, guidance, and opportunities are accessible to all.

#### Kriya

An experimental study on the impact of experiential learning of science on the development of learner competencies and teachers' progression into teacher-researchers.

#### **IMPACT**

Transforming schools into mature experiential learning centres, through a 5+ year intensive engagement, by empowering teachers and providing content and lab resources.



Curated COURSEWARE



EMPOWERMENT
Program



Portable LABSTATIONS

### Anveshana

Studying the impact of Research as a Pedagogy on competencies and attitudes of highschool students pursuing independent scientific research projects under 5 thematic areas.



Research **GUIDANCE** 



Access to State-Of-The-Art LABORATORY FACILITIES



Exposure to SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

#### IMPACT

Equip students with skills and capabilities for future careers and employment in the industry through a program with continuous mentoring and assessments.

### Krīdā

To evaluate the impact of experiential learning in the context of sports for science and maths education. The program develops strategies and resources for a rigorous and engaging sports-based curriculum.

#### IMPACT

Create alternate pathways to learn science by leveraging student interests and aptitudes.







MULTI-YEAR Engagement



Curated COURSEWARE

#### Dhātu

An initiative to understand and analyse the patterns of Indian students in mathematical and mathematical learning competencies. Develop a layered understanding for mathematics in students.



TECHNOLOGY -ENABLED Learning Platform



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Teacher

EMPOWERMENT

Program

#### **IMPACT**

Provide equitable access to quality mathematics resources that focus on deepening conceptual understanding and practical application amongst learners

### Prerana

Strengthening the call for grassroots awareness to adopt experiential learning pedagogies, the program studies the competencies and knowledge levels of students and teachers.

### **IMPACT**

Empowering teachers and enriching students through awareness workshops on experiential learning



WORKSHOPS for Students and Teachers



Curated MATERIALS



EDUCATOR -

Prayoga's aim to create a fundamental shift in the education system to enable higherorder thinking and meaningful learning is achieved through its purposeful social impact programs and rigorous research.

STUDENTS

**7221** 

SCHOOLS

**67** 

**TEACHERS** 

210

# Partner with our Purpose



#### Individual Contributions

Support our programs to bring about positive, lasting change in the lives of countless young minds.



#### **CSR Partnerships**

Progress towards our goal is made through partnerships and collaborations with diverse institutions and organisations.



#### Research Collaborations

Collaborate with us on scientific research challenges, utilising our mutually complementary capabilities and research facilities.



















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