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Executive Summary

Brainware University's SDG 1 Annual Report for Academic Year 2024-25 presents the University's comprehensive institutional commitment to reducing poverty, promoting financial inclusion, ensuring equitable access to higher education, and supporting the sustainable development of economically and socially disadvantaged communities. The University's initiatives are aligned with the objectives of SDG 1, encompassing poverty-related research, financial assistance to students, institutional anti-poverty measures, and community-based interventions.

Key reported measure	AY 2024–25 evidence	Interpretation/qualification
Students receiving scholarships / financial assistance	6,721 students received scholarships/financial assistance amounting to ₹26,53,26,410 (approximately ₹26.53 crore). Additionally, institutional scholarships and fee concessions were reported for 4,674 students, amounting to ₹18,84,05,100 (approximately ₹18.84 crore).	These measures help ease the financial burden on students from economically disadvantaged households, support continuity of education, and improve opportunities for successful programme completion.
International student support	Indicator 1.3.5 report: 28 students from Bangladesh; ₹13,95,000	These measures help make higher education more affordable and support educational continuity for students from low- or lower-middle-income countries.
Basic-services programmes	Health, vision screening, digital/cyber safety, financial literacy, first aid, sanitation/hygiene, waste management, legal awareness and career/skills activities	These initiatives support students and surrounding communities, particularly economically and socially disadvantaged groups; the University supports social inclusion, capacity building and improved opportunities for sustainable livelihoods.



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Community start-up support	Policies for community start-up development and financial assistance are available	These initiatives reflect the University's commitment to addressing poverty through sustainable livelihood development and inclusive economic growth.
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1. About Brainware University and SDG-1 Integration

Brainware University, located in Barasat, Kolkata, West Bengal, India, is committed to advancing the **United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 1 (SDG 1) - No Poverty** through inclusive education, financial support, research, innovation, and community engagement. The University integrates poverty alleviation within its academic, research, student-support, and outreach activities, with particular emphasis on improving access to higher education and supporting economically disadvantaged communities.

SDG 1: No Poverty focuses on ending poverty in all its forms. In the context of higher education, it recognises universities' role in reducing poverty by providing quality education to economically disadvantaged students, supporting their successful completion of studies, and contributing to anti-poverty initiatives within the wider community.

Accordingly, Brainware University's SDG 1 initiatives are organised around four key areas:

1. **Research on Poverty:** research publications and collaborations addressing poverty-related issues and their associated social and economic challenges.
2. **Financial Aid for Students:** scholarships, fee concessions and other significant financial assistance that enable economically disadvantaged students to access and continue higher education.
3. **University Anti-Poverty Programmes:** institutional measures and targeted support that promote admission, retention, completion and overall educational success of students experiencing financial disadvantage.
4. **Community Anti-Poverty Programmes:** initiatives that support economically and socially disadvantaged communities through access to basic services, livelihood development, entrepreneurship, training and other poverty-reduction interventions.

Through these integrated activities, Brainware University seeks to ensure that **financial constraints do not become a barrier to higher education**, while extending the University's knowledge, resources and expertise to communities beyond the campus. This approach positions education, research, innovation and community engagement as interconnected



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instruments for promoting **economic inclusion, social empowerment and sustainable poverty reduction.**

2. Objective of the Report

This report presents a structured account of Brainware University's initiatives, achievements, and measurable contributions towards Sustainable Development Goal 1 (SDG 1): No Poverty during the academic year 2024-25. It evaluates the University's contributions to poverty reduction through research, financial support to economically disadvantaged students, institutional anti-poverty measures, and community-based anti-poverty programmes.

The specific objectives of the report are to:

- a) **Document the University's contribution to poverty reduction through research**, including relevant publications, collaborations and knowledge-generation activities addressing poverty, livelihoods, social protection and related socioeconomic challenges.
- b) **Assess and document financial assistance provided to students from low-income backgrounds**, including scholarships, fee waivers and other significant institutional financial support that enables students to access and continue higher education.
- c) **Document institutional anti-poverty measures and student-support mechanisms**, including initiatives aimed at improving access, retention, successful completion and educational opportunities for students experiencing financial disadvantage.
- d) **Document community-based anti-poverty programmes and outreach activities**, including initiatives that improve access to basic services, strengthen livelihoods, develop skills, promote entrepreneurship and support economically disadvantaged communities.
- e) **Present evidence of research, innovation and technological interventions** that have potential or demonstrated relevance to poverty alleviation, particularly through affordable technologies, rural development, healthcare, agriculture, resource access and social inclusion.
- f) **Highlight the contribution of institutional partnerships and community engagement** towards inclusive development and poverty reduction at local, regional, national and international levels.
- g) **Consolidate authentic institutional data and supporting evidence** in a structured format that can demonstrate the University's contribution to SDG 1.



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3. Key Reporting Areas

Accordingly, the SDG 1 Annual Report is organised into the following four major areas:

Table 1. University Reporting Areas and Key Focus Areas for SDG 1 – No Poverty

Sl No.	Reporting Area	SDG 1 Focus
1	Research on Poverty	Poverty-related research, publications and research collaborations
2	Financial Aid and Student Support	Scholarships, fee waivers and significant financial assistance to low-income students
3	Research and Community Intervention Initiatives	Livelihoods, entrepreneurship, basic services, skills development and community outreach
4	Community Outreach and Inclusive Development	Admission, retention, completion and targeted support for economically disadvantaged students

4. Research on Poverty

Brainware University undertakes research initiatives that contribute to **Sustainable Development Goal 1 (SDG 1) - No Poverty** by addressing financial exclusion, digital inequality, livelihood opportunities, entrepreneurship, disaster vulnerability, and the economic empowerment of marginalized and disadvantaged communities. During the reported period (Academic Year 2024-25), **faculty members published 5 research papers addressing poverty-related themes**. The research demonstrates an interdisciplinary approach combining **finance, digital technologies, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT), blockchain, entrepreneurship, and gender studies** to promote inclusive and sustainable economic development.

4.1 Papers co-authored with low- or lower-middle-income countries

Brainware University promotes international research collaboration with universities and academic institutions in **low- and lower-middle-income countries**. Through collaborative research, joint publications, knowledge exchange and academic partnerships, the University contributes to strengthening research capacity and sharing expertise with institutions in these countries.

This indicator measures the proportion of the University's academic publications that include at least one co-author affiliated with a university located in a low- or lower-middle-income country. For **SDG 1 - No Poverty**, such research collaboration demonstrates the University's



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international research engagement and its contribution to addressing development challenges through knowledge generation and cross-border academic cooperation.

Table 2: Research Publications co-authored with low- or lower-middle-income countries

SI No	Authors	Title	Country	Year
1	Nag A.; Mehedi Hassan M.D.; Rony M.A.T.; Das B.; Sil R.; Saha P.; Sarker P.; Bairagi A.K.	Fusing Sentiment Analysis with Hybrid Collaborative Algorithms for Enhanced Recommender Systems	Bangladesh	2025
2	Firdous S.M.; Irfan Z.; Giri S.; Asaba N.S.	Unravelling the role of natural herbs for the management of diabetes mellitus	Cameroon	2025
3	Verma C.V.; Mahrach Y.; Singh S.; Kumar A.; Rai V.; Singh G.	Malaria Detection with Multi-stage Recognition Using Neighbor Sample Joint Learning and Deep Learning Techniques	Morocco	2025
4	Ravindiran G.; Karthick K.; Rajamanickam S.; Datta D.; Das B.; Shyamala G.; Hayder G.; Maria A.	Ensemble stacking of machine learning models for air quality prediction for Hyderabad city in India	Malaysia	2025
5	Lungu N.; De U.C.; Dash B.B.; Barik L.; Khan T.; Patra S.S.	Reducing Fertilizer Runoff and Enhancing Crop Yield with Nano-Engineered Nutrients	Zambia	2025
6	Chattopadhyay D.; Rameeza Bhanu J.; Mahdi H.S.; Farhan A Sharif S.; Al-Shammari A.H.; Sankari V.	Revolutionizing Drug Discovery with Graph Neural Networks for Enhanced Interaction Prediction	Iraq	2025
7	Garg A.; Shukla N.K.; Belarbi M.-O.; Mukherjee D.; Pushpavalli M.; Raman R.; Avcar M.; Singh Narula M.; Li L.	Bird strike-induced damage studies on bio-inspired laminated plates with holes	Algeria	2025
8	Mitra S.; Nandan M.; Roy S.; De D.	CardiacXAI: Explainable Ensemble AI Schema for Unveiling Critical Features in Cardiac Arrest Classification	Vietnam	2025
9	Mondal K.; Mallick B.; Hameed A.S.; Sarkar A.; Mahato J.; Dutta P.; Bose B.	Experimental Analysis and Hybrid-Optimization of Micro-ECDM Process Parameters to Enhance Micro-Machining Performances of Silica by Gaussian-Quantum-PSO	Iraq	2025
10	Akermi S.; Chaari M.; Elhadef K.; Sharma A.; Dey A.; Choudhary A.; Sinha S.	Bioactive compounds and cancer prevention: a nutritional approach	Tunisia	2025



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	Festuccia R.; Mellouli L.; Smaoui S.			
11	Sen B.; Saha S.; Kumar R.; Jhala R.; Patil N.; Mahapatro A.; Bhowmik A.; Santhosh A.J.	AI-driven wear monitoring of PVD TiAlN coated carbide insert in sustainable machining of Hastelloy C276: An industry 4.0 perspective	Ethiopia	2025
12	Bandyopadhyay U.; Sen D.; Ahuja D.; Mahapatra S.P.; Biswas D.; Maiti R.; Chakraborty S.; Hazra A.; Parua S.; Basak A.K.; Das A.; Paul N.; Purkait M.P.; Syamal A.K.; Dey R.; Bhattacharya K.; Adhikary K.; Bhattacharjee A.	Interplay of calcium, vitamin D, and parathormone in the milieu of infections and immunity: Reassessed in the context of COVID-19	Malaysia	2025
13	Ahamad T.; Ali A.; Manna P.; Quadri N.; Khan Z.; Pal R.; Muhtaba M.; Ghazanfar S.; Islam A.; Iqbal A.; Ashique S.	The Microbiome Connection: Exploring Interactions with Stem Cell Therapies	Pakistan	2025
14	Ray P.; Taj T.; De S.; Dhingra R.; Kumar T.; Dey S.; Mukherjee S.; Debnath B.; Ashique S.; Smaoui S.	Future Perspectives: Advancements in Postbiotics and Gut Microbiota Research and Potential Therapeutic Breakthroughs	Tunisia	2025
15	BARMAN H.; HE S.; ROY S.K.; HUSEIN I.	Pythagorean Fuzzy EOQ Model with Stock-And Hybrid Price-Dependent Demand Under Preservation Technology And Advance Payment	Indonesia	2025
16	Saha N.; Bose R.; Roy S.; Khan A.A.; Sutradhar S.; Mondal S.; Shah M.A.	Revolutionising Vaccine Supply Chains: A Federated Blockchain Framework with Smart Contracts for Enhanced Scalability and Security	Iraq	2025
17	Sutradhar S.; Bose R.; Majumder S.; Khan A.A.; Roy S.; Ullah F.; Prashar D.	MediGuard: A Survey on Security Attacks in Blockchain-IoT Ecosystems for e-Healthcare Applications	Malaysia	2025
18	Dey S.; Datta S.; Asif S.M.; Bhattacharya S.; Sadhu S.; Mondal A.; Sen R.; Saha T.; Datta P.; Alkeridis L.A.; Al-Shuraym L.A.; Gaber A.; Hossain A.	Biofertilizers Improve the Productivity and Morphophysiochemical Parameters of Dragon Fruit (<i>Hylocereus costaricensis</i> L.) cv. 'Royal Moroccan Red'	Bangladesh	2025
19	Ray N.; Patra N.; Sharma S.; Ghosh D.; Bose I.; Kler R.	Empowering women: Challenges, progress	Uzbekistan	2025



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20	Ray J.; Ghosh P.K.; Bordolui S.K.; Das R.; Kumari V.V.; Bárek V.; Brestic M.; Gaber A.; Hossain A.	Seed priming and foliar application of GA3enhance disease control in tomato (Solanum lycopersicum L.)	Bangladesh	2025
21	Yang W.; Pan S.; Di Valentino E.; Mena O.; Mota D.F.; Chakraborty S.	Probing the cold nature of dark matter	Malaysia	2025
22	Chakraborty M.; Chakraborty S.	Casimir-driven traversable wormholes: Geometry, stability and observable signatures	Malaysia	2025
23	Chakraborty M.; Chakraborty S.	Exploring traversable wormholes in $f(Q)$ gravity: Shadows and quasinormal modes	Malaysia	2025
24	Alam S.S.; Das A.; Nisha J.R.; Mridul A.H.; Islam M.H.; Hridi T.E.F.	Brainai-Net: An Automated Deep Learning Approach For Tumor Detection	Bangladesh	2025
25	Mustafa G.; Younas A.; Zahid M.T.; Kim D.-W.; Jamil I.; Yadav N.; Kurade M.B.; Saha S.; Yadav K.K.; Jeon B.-H.	Bioremediation of reactive blue 19 dye by laccase-producing <i>Serratia marcescens</i> AY4 strain	Iraq	2025
26	Chakraborty M.; Chakraborty S.	Implications of Raychaudhuri equation and geodesic focusing in interacting two fluid systems	Malaysia	2025
27	Das A.; Armin J.F.; Saleh A.; Nisha J.R.; Mridul A.H.; Rakib A.	Machine Learning and Deep Learning for Sentiment Analysis with Bangla Datasets	Bangladesh	2025
28	Chakraborty M.; Chakraborty S.	Anisotropic modifications of Gravitational dynamics: Implications for singularity and Cosmic No-Hair theorem via Raychaudhuri equation	Malaysia	2025
29	Mittal M.; Tiwari M.; Doshi R.; Hiran K.K.	Highlighting the Challenges of Bias and Fairness in Hate Speech Detection	Ghana	2025
30	Mallik B.B.; Mukherjee G.; Kar R.; Fan Y.	Preface	Senegal	2025
31	Monroy Gonzalez D.; Vasquez-Iglesias P.; Zabala-Blanco D.; Datta J.; Firoozabadi A.D.; Flores-Calero M.	Analysis of Crop Health for Agricultural Optimization Using Multispectral Images and Machine Learning	Ecuador	2025
32	Akermi S.; Sharma A.; Dey A.; Chaari M.; Elhadek K.; Choudhary A.; Sinha S.; Mellouli L.; Smaoui S.	Functional foods and aging and antiaging: a recipe for longevity	Tunisia	2025



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33	Chattopadhyay D.; Chandran S.P.; Bandyopadhyay S.N.	Investigating the impact of menstrual health on female productivity at work: Evidence from Malaysia	Malaysia	2025
34	Halder S.; de Haro J.; Pan S.; Saha T.; Chakraborty S.	Matter creation cosmologies and accelerated expansion	Malaysia	2025
35	Ravindiran G.; Karthick K.; Ramaraju H.K.; Datta D.; Sapayev V.; Ismoilov M.	An advanced machine learning framework for predicting climate warming from greenhouse gas emissions	Uzbekistan	2025
36	Majumder C.; Yih J.N.H.	Nonstrabismic binocular vision anomalies among students of a Malaysian private university	Malaysia	2025
37	Acharya D.; Rizk-Allah R.M.	An enhanced human conception optimizer for over-current relay coordination problem in distribution system	Egypt	2025
38	Maiti N.; Chawla R.; Biswas S.	Biasing Voltage Optimization in MEMS Wireless Sensors for Enhanced Multiple Sclerosis Tremor Detection	Uzbekistan	2025
39	Kaloria S.; Ghosal I.; Dewasiri N.J.	Quantum-driven real-time object detection systems	Srilanka	2025
40	Mohammad F.S.; Das U.; Samanta S.K.; Irfan Z.; Gopinath S.C.B.; Mostafa M.A.H.; Al-Haidari R.A.; Abdellatif A.A.H.; Shehata A.M.; Gouda M.M.	Retraction notice to "Evaluation of Sechium edule fruit attenuation impact on the cardiomyopathy of the STZ-induced diabetic rats"	Egypt	2025
41	Mallik B.B.; Mukherjee G.; Kar R.; Fan Y.	Engineering the Circular Economy: Leveraging Fuzzy Logic for Implementation	Senegal	2025

4.2 No poverty: publications

Brainware University promotes research addressing poverty, economic vulnerability, financial inclusion and equitable access to opportunities. The University's research publications contribute to understanding and addressing poverty-related challenges through areas such as inclusive finance, digital inclusion, livelihood development, social empowerment and sustainable economic development.



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The **No Poverty - Publications** indicator captures the overall scale and impact of the University's research output related to poverty and poverty alleviation. It considers the University's publications in this area **without scaling the output according to institutional size**, thereby recognising the overall research contribution and impact of the University toward **UN SDG 1 - No Poverty**.

Table 3: Research Publications and Their Relevance to Sustainable Development Goal 1 (SDG 1) - No Poverty

Sl. No.	Title of Research Paper	Authors	Year	Scopus Source Title	Relevance to SDG 1 – No Poverty
1	Bridging the Digital Divide: Leveraging Technological Innovations for Inclusive and Sustainable Finance	Ghosh, A.; Bhatia, A.	2025	<i>Financial Innovation for Global Sustainability</i>	Digital inclusion, access to finance and reduction of financial barriers
2	Empowering Women Entrepreneurs: Unveiling the Catalysts of Financial Inclusion in the Unorganized Sector for Sustainable Development	Dasgupta, B.; Ghosh, S.; Guha, S.	2025	<i>Sustainable Business Strategies for Startups and SMEs</i>	Women's economic empowerment, financial inclusion and livelihood opportunities
3	Advanced Applications of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in Disaster Prediction, Detection, and Mitigation	Biswas, D.; Dutta, A.; Roy, P.	2025	<i>AI and ML in Early Warning Systems for Natural Disasters</i>	Disaster-risk reduction and protection of vulnerable communities
4	Gender Barriers in Entrepreneurship Development – A Comprehensive Overview of South Asian Countries	Saha, R.; Biswas, B.	2025	<i>Sustainable Business Strategies for Startups and SMEs</i>	Gender inclusion, entrepreneurship and economic empowerment
5	Leveraging the Internet of Things (IoT) for Financial Empowerment in Indigenous Communities	Sanyal, C.; Banerjee, P.; Ghosal, I.	2025	<i>Indigenous Empowerment through Human-Machine Interactions: The Challenges and</i>	Financial empowerment and inclusion of indigenous communities



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5. Financial Aid and Student Support

5.1 Proportion of students receiving financial aid to attend university because of poverty

Vision of Brainware University:

“Brainware University aims to cast a transformative light on society and students by promoting quality education and research facilities at affordable fees.”

In alignment with this vision, Brainware University is committed to promoting inclusive and equitable access to quality higher education by addressing financial barriers faced by students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. The Policy on Inclusive Admission, Institutional Scholarships and Financial Support for Students from Economically Disadvantaged Households states the University's commitment to ensuring that economic disadvantage does not become a barrier to admission, continuation or successful completion. It identifies students in the lowest 20% of household-income distribution among eligible applicants as a priority group for support and describes facilitation of government and other scholarship schemes. The policy framework includes merit-cum-means assistance, need-based financial assistance, tuition-fee waiver or partial waiver, emergency financial assistance, learning and digital-learning support, and hostel assistance, subject to eligibility and institutional provisions.

Students receive financial support based on economic circumstances, merit-cum-means considerations, applicable government scholarship schemes, institutional scholarships, and other approved categories.

These measures are intended to:

- Reduce financial barriers to higher education for economically disadvantaged students.
- Improve access to undergraduate, postgraduate and other academic programmes.
- Support students facing financial constraints in continuing and completing their studies.
- Promote inclusiveness and equal opportunity in higher education.
- Complement government and other external scholarship schemes.

Contribute to the University's commitment towards United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 1 (SDG 1 - No Poverty).



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During the reported period (Academic Year 2024-25), **6,721 students** received scholarships or financial assistance through various schemes, with total financial assistance amounting to **₹26,53,26,410 (approximately ₹26.53 crore)**.

The major schemes include the Swami Vivekananda Merit-cum-Means Scholarship (SVMCM), WBMDFC scholarships, Post-Matric Scholarships for SC/ST/OBC students, state-specific scholarships, and other financial-assistance schemes.

The University supports student awareness, applications, document verification, submission, coordination with government authorities, and scholarship record-keeping. These Government-supported scholarships, often based on family income and other eligibility criteria, complement the University's own financial-support measures and help reduce financial barriers, improve access and retention, and support SDG 1 - No Poverty.

The University maintains relevant beneficiary, eligibility, income, sanction and disbursement records for monitoring, verification and reporting.

Scholarship and Financial Assistance Details are shown below:

Table 4. Scholarship and Financial Assistance Provided to Students During the Reported Period

Scholarship / Financial Assistance	Income Criterion	No. of Beneficiaries	Total Amount (₹)
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR EDUCATION TO THE WARDS OF BEEDI/CINE/IOMC/LSDM- POST MATRIC	Family income ≤ ₹10,000/month;	4	₹ 100000
FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE STUDENTS OF NER FOR HIGHER PROFESSIONAL COURSES (NEC MERIT SCHOLARSHIP)	Family income ≤ ₹10,000/month;	1	₹ 25000
HDFC	Annual family income ≤ ₹ 2.50 lakh	1	₹ 50000
POST MATRIC SC, ST, OBC	Annual family income ≤ ₹2.50 lakh	82	₹ 797760
POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP FOR SC STUDENTS TRIPURA	Annual family income ≤ ₹2.50 lakh	10	₹ 77250
POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP TO OBC STUDENTS - ASSAM	Scheme/state-specific; commonly ≤ ₹2.50 lakh	1	₹ 8000



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POSTMATRIC SCHOLARSHIP FOR OBC STUDENTS - TRIPURA	Same scheme/criterion – ≤ ₹2.50 lakh	25	₹ 1362000
SWAMI VIVEKANANDA MERIT CUM MEANS SCHOLARSHIP	Annual family income ≤ ₹2.50 lakh	5549	₹ 223212000
WBMDFC, Merit Cum-Means	Annual family income ≤ ₹2.50 lakh	305	₹ 8640500
WBMDFC, Post matric	Annual family income ≤ ₹2.00 lakh	74	₹ 789900
WBMDFC, SVMCM	Annual family income ≤ ₹2.50 lakh	669	₹30264000
Grand Total		6721	₹ 26,53,26,410

5.2 Institutional Scholarship Support for SDG 1 - No Poverty

Brainware University also provides **institutional scholarships, fee waivers and financial concessions** to reduce the financial burden of higher education and promote access for students who may face economic constraints. Through schemes such as **Need-Based Fee Concession, Medha Britti, Partial Fee Waiver, Vidyajyoti with Medha Britti, Career Katha, Vidyajyoti, Full-Freeship, Half-Freeship and Special Scholarship**, the University provides direct financial support to eligible students.

During the reported period, **4674 students** received institutional scholarships and financial concessions amounting to **₹18,84,05,100 (approximately ₹18.84 crore)**. These initiatives complement Government-sponsored scholarships and contribute to the University's commitment to **SDG 1 - No Poverty** by improving affordability, access and continuity in higher education.

Institutional Scholarship and Financial Assistance Details are shown below:

Table 5. Institutional Scholarship and Financial Support Provided to Students: Scheme-wise Beneficiaries and Total Scholarship Amount

Sl. No.	Scholarship / Financial Support Scheme	No. of Beneficiaries	Total Scholarship Amount (₹)
1	Need-Based Fee Concession	2,454	8,82,33,000
2	Medha Britti	1,085	4,05,25,000
3	Partial Fee Waiver	401	1,88,49,000
4	Vidyajyoti with Medha Britti	97	1,05,47,000



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5	Half-Freeship	52	1,02,78,350
6	Vidyajyoti	120	90,56,000
7	Tuition-Fee Waiver	389	40,25,000
8	Vidyajyoti with Half-Freeship	18	20,84,200
9	Special Scholarship	22	20,42,450
10	Full-Freeship	5	16,77,100
11	Career Katha with Medha Britti	17	9,38,000
12	Career Katha	14	1,50,000
Total Institutional Scholarship and Financial Support		4,674	₹18,84,05,100

5.3 Scholarship Support for Students from Low- or Lower-Middle-Income Countries

Brainware University demonstrates its commitment to inclusive and equitable access to higher education by providing financial assistance to students from low- or lower-middle-income countries. During 2024-25, **28 students from Bangladesh** received scholarships or fee concessions amounting to a total of **₹13,95,000**. The support was provided through various mechanisms, including **Need-Based Fee Concessions, Partial Fee Waivers and Medha Britti scholarships**.

These initiatives help reduce financial barriers to higher education and support students from economically constrained backgrounds, thereby contributing to **SDG 1 - No Poverty** and the University's commitment to financial inclusion and accessible education.

The Scholarship details of poor students from low- or lower-middle-income countries are:

Sl No	Name of the Students	Student Code	Country	Total Scholarship	Scholarship Type
1	Sharmista Saha	BWU/BBL/24/003	Bangladesh	60000	Partial Fee Waiver
2	Prerona Ray	BWU/BBL/24/175	Bangladesh	10000	Need-Based Fee Concession
3	Amit Roy	BWU/BAM/24/180	Bangladesh	60000	Need-Based Fee Concession
4	Md Rashidul Islam	BWU/BTA/24/395	Bangladesh	70000	Medha Britti
5	Partha Sarothi Roy	BWU/BTA/24/681	Bangladesh	90000	Need-Based Fee Concession



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6	Shudhangshu Shekhar Ray Shuva	BWU/BTA/24/682	Bangladesh	90000	Need-Based Fee Concession
7	Anthony Charles Rozario	BWU/MBA/24/013	Bangladesh	35000	Partial Fee Waiver
8	Subrata Bhattacharjee	BWU/BCA/24/004	Bangladesh	40000	Partial Fee Waiver
9	Sakibur Rahman	BWU/BCA/24/500	Bangladesh	50000	Medha Britti
10	Nur Alam Sheikh	BWU/BPY/24/065	Bangladesh	60000	Need-Based Fee Concession
11	Probir Chakrobortty	BWU/BPY/24/067	Bangladesh	60000	Need-Based Fee Concession
12	Prionty Roy	BWU/BPH/24/002	Bangladesh	80000	Need-Based Fee Concession
13	Arpita Podder	BWU/MTA/24/007	Bangladesh	30000	Medha Britti
14	Tithi Moni Das	BWU/BNC/24/001	Bangladesh	10000	Tuition-Fee Waiver
15	Subarna Saha	BWU/BTS/24/293	Bangladesh	70000	Partial Fee Waiver
16	Bibek Bhattacharjee	BWU/BTS/24/219	Bangladesh	50000	Medha Britti
17	Md. Nafis Shahriar	BWU/BTS/24/585	Bangladesh	90000	Need-Based Fee Concession
18	Md. Shamiul Islam Bayazid	BWU/BTS/24/595	Bangladesh	70000	Medha Britti
19	Soumit Kha	BWU/BTS/24/611	Bangladesh	90000	Need-Based Fee Concession
20	Arrono Saha	BWU/MEN/24/011	Bangladesh	10000	Need-Based Fee Concession
21	Madhure Das	BWU/BBA/24/004	Bangladesh	40000	Partial Fee Waiver
22	Suprio Das	BWU/BBA/24/043	Bangladesh	40000	Need-Based Fee Concession
23	Shibaji Sen Gupta	BWU/BBA/24/188	Bangladesh	60000	Need-Based Fee Concession
24	Nibedita Biswas	BWU/BTB/24/111	Bangladesh	60000	Medha Britti
25	Inrani Ghosh	BWU/BEN/24/014	Bangladesh	20000	Medha Britti



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26	Erica Halder	BWU/BEN/24/016	Bangladesh	15000	Need-Based Fee Concession
27	Moumita Das Gupta	BWU/BEN/24/020	Bangladesh	15000	Need-Based Fee Concession
28	Jui Baral	BWU/BEN/24/021	Bangladesh	20000	Medha Britti

6. Research and Community Intervention Initiatives

UN SDG 1 - No Poverty aims to end poverty in all its forms and promote the economic resilience and well-being of vulnerable communities. In this context, Brainware University's community-based research initiatives undertaken through the **Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA)** seek to address selected challenges affecting rural communities in **Faldi and Dubgaria villages**.

The University's community-oriented research initiatives contribute to the broader objectives of **SDG 1** by addressing factors that can influence **rural livelihoods, agricultural productivity, sustainable use of local resources, reduction of agricultural input costs, and the economic resilience of rural communities**. The relevance to SDG 1 is particularly evident in research initiatives that have a direct or potential connection with agricultural livelihoods and farm-level economic sustainability.

The following UBA projects demonstrate varying degrees of relevance to SDG 1:

Table 7: UBA Research Projects and Their Linkage with Sustainable Development Goal 1 (No Poverty)

Sl. No.	Research Project	SDG 1 Linkage
1	Assessment of Efficacy of Lantana Camara Plant Extract as Potential Bioinsecticide for Controlling Insect Pests of Field	Development of a potentially locally available bioinsecticide can support sustainable and cost-effective crop protection. Reduced dependence on expensive external agricultural inputs may contribute to improved farm profitability and rural livelihood resilience, supporting SDG 1.
2	Enhancing Sustainable Soil Health and Crop Productivity through Water Hyacinth-Based Organic	This project has a direct livelihood dimension. Improving soil health and crop productivity while converting locally available water hyacinth into organic manure can reduce agricultural input costs, improve



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farm productivity, and potentially strengthen the income and livelihood resilience of rural farming communities. It therefore strongly links to SDG 1.

The above UBA research initiatives demonstrate Brainware University's efforts to support **sustainable rural development and livelihood resilience**. The projects focus on sustainable agricultural practices, efficient use of locally available resources, and approaches that may improve agricultural productivity and reduce input dependence.

7. Community Anti-Poverty Initiatives - SDG 1

Brainware University has undertaken a structured approach towards addressing poverty and strengthening the economic resilience of the local community through entrepreneurship development, financial assistance, access to basic services, and policy-oriented engagement during AY 2024-25.

The university has established a framework (Policy for Community Start-Up Development, Entrepreneurship and Sustainable Enterprise Support) to support aspiring entrepreneurs, micro and small enterprises, social entrepreneurs, local youth, women entrepreneurs, self-help groups and community organisations. The policy provides for entrepreneurship education, training, mentorship, incubation and pre-incubation support, access to university facilities, technical and business guidance, networking and market linkages. The expected outcomes include development of community-based enterprises, employment and livelihood opportunities, and an inclusive local entrepreneurship ecosystem.

Brainware University has established provisions (Policy for Financial Assistance and Sustainable Start-up Development in the Local Community) for financial support to eligible community start-up initiatives. The framework includes prototype and proof-of-concept grants, seed support, innovation/start-up grants and limited reimbursement or subsidy for approved incubation and business-development activities, subject to eligibility, evaluation, budgetary provisions and availability of funds.

During Academic Year 2024-25, Brainware University implemented a range of programmes to improve access to essential services for students and surrounding communities. These initiatives included health screening and preventive-care programmes, vision screening, digital literacy and cybersecurity awareness, financial literacy, first-aid training, sanitation and hygiene awareness, waste management, and career and skill development activities. The Health-O-Smile Health Camp provided free health screening and preventive-care awareness to more than 800 patients, while the vision screening programme at Ichapur High School



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served 143 patients. Other initiatives promoted responsible financial management, safer use of digital services, emergency response skills, and awareness of hygiene and environmental practices.

Brainware University recognises poverty as a multidimensional challenge encompassing economic security, education, healthcare, access to basic services, employment opportunities, and social protection. The University encourages professional engagement and knowledge-sharing through participation in professional organisations and institutional networks. The documented life membership of the Principal of the Institute of Nursing in the Trained Nurses' Association of India demonstrates professional engagement in the healthcare sector. However, this evidence alone does not establish the University's direct participation in policy-making or policy consultations. Further documentation of participation in government consultations, committees, advisory bodies, or policy-related initiatives would strengthen evidence of institutional engagement.

Collectively, these initiatives reflect Brainware University's commitment to **SDG 1 – No Poverty** by improving access to essential services, promoting financial awareness, strengthening employment readiness, and supporting community well-being and inclusive social development.

8. Community Outreach and Inclusive Development

Brainware University organised a range of training programmes, awareness initiatives, outreach activities, screening camps, and skill-development programmes during AY 2024-25 to improve access to essential basic services for students, faculty members, and surrounding communities. The initiatives were aligned with **SDG 1 - No Poverty** and addressed areas such as healthcare, digital services, financial services, sanitation and hygiene, education, legal assistance, and livelihood/employment opportunities. The programmes focus on areas such as health and hygiene, sanitation, clean drinking water, nutrition and food security, digital literacy, financial literacy, government welfare schemes, environmental sustainability, and access to essential public services. Special attention is given to economically and socially disadvantaged groups and communities in the University's outreach areas.

The programmes included **free health and vision screening camps**, which provided health checks, preventive-care awareness, referrals, and basic medical guidance to community members and school students. The University also conducted **cyber-safety and digital-security programmes** to enable safer use of online and digital services. These programmes covered cyber threats, online fraud, data privacy, web security, vulnerability identification, and responsible use of digital technologies.



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Financial literacy and inclusion programmes were organised to improve awareness of saving, financial planning, consumer rights, responsible money management, and investment options. These initiatives aimed to strengthen participants' financial preparedness and their ability to manage resources required for essential needs.

In addition, **first-aid training, sanitation and hygiene programmes, waste-management and recycling awareness activities, career and industry-skill programmes, legal-awareness initiatives, and educational outreach programmes** were conducted. These activities strengthened participants' practical capabilities, awareness, employability, health preparedness, environmental responsibility, and access to support services.

The details of training or Programmes to improve access to basic services for all are shown below:

Programme:	Cyber safety training
Basic service addressed:	Digital Services
Title of the Event:	Cyber Security Awareness- 'Cyber Shiksha for Cyber Suraksha'
Date:	13-08-2024
Venue:	University Building II-303, Brainware University
Participants:	Students of UG

Outcome: The programme indirectly improved access to safer digital services by equipping students with practical knowledge of cyber threats, online fraud, data privacy, reporting mechanisms, and preventive measures. Participants were better prepared to protect personal information and use digital services more safely and responsibly.





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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Health-O-Smile Health Camp
Beneficiaries:	Students of Balia High School
Date:	31-08-2024
Venue:	Balia High School, West Bengal- 741223
Participants:	Students of Allied Health Science

Outcome: The Health-O-Smile outreach camp directly improved access to basic health services by providing free health screening, awareness, and preventive care to more than 800 patients. The programme helped participants identify potential health concerns, understand preventive practices, and seek appropriate follow-up care, thereby supporting community health and well-being.





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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Eyes on the Future- Vision Screening Camp
Beneficiaries:	School students
Date:	02-09-2024
Venue:	Ichapur High School

Outcome: The “Eyes on the Future” Vision Screening Camp directly improved access to basic health services by providing free vision screening and power checks to 143 patients. The programme helped identify potential vision-related concerns and facilitated timely recommendations for further treatment, while strengthening awareness of preventive eye care.





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Programme:	Cyber safety training
Basic service addressed:	Digital Services
Title of the Event:	WAPT Insights: Navigating Web Security
Date:	04-09-2024
Venue:	(University Building II, Auditorium), Brainware University
Participants:	Students of BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY

Outcome: The programme indirectly supported access to safer digital services by developing students' practical understanding of web security, common web-based attacks, and vulnerability identification. Participants gained knowledge that can help them recognise digital risks and use online services more securely.





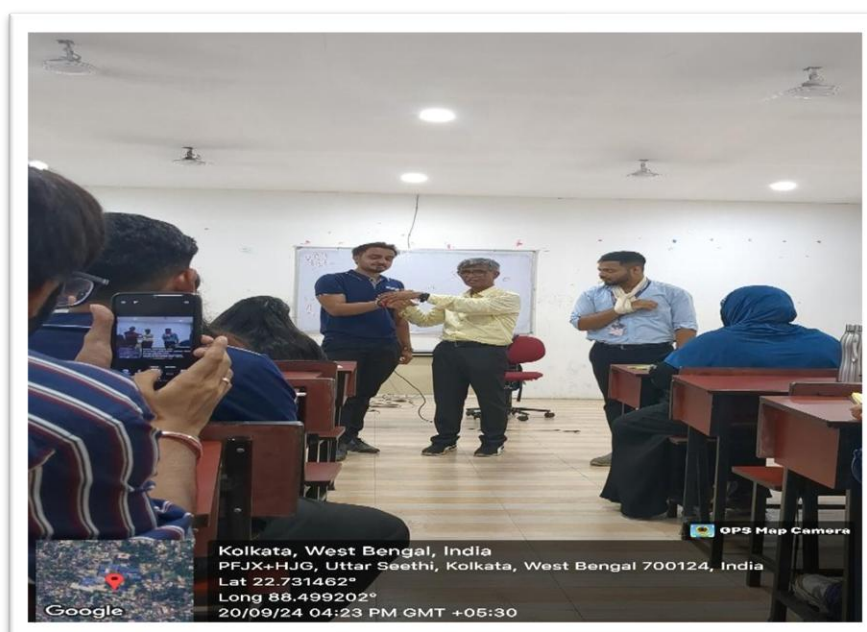
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Programme:	First-aid training
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Hands-on- First Aid Training by Indian Red Cross Society
Date:	19-09-2024 to 25-09-2024
Venue:	UB-IV, 208
Participants:	Students of Allied Health science

Outcome: The First Aid Training Programme strengthened participants' capacity to support access to immediate basic health assistance during emergencies. Students developed practical skills in emergency assessment, first-aid response, injury prevention, and safety, enabling them to provide timely assistance to individuals in need.





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Programme:	Financial Inclusion Programme
Basic service addressed:	Financial Services
Title of the Event:	Financial Awareness Program- Why Savings is Essential to People of Any Profession
Target beneficiaries:	Students of Banamalipur Priyanath Institution
Date:	24-09-2024
Venue:	Banamalipur Priyanath Institution, Banamalipur, Kolkata, West Bengal 700124

Outcome: The Financial Awareness Programme indirectly supported participants' ability to manage resources needed for essential living needs by developing practical knowledge of saving, financial planning, responsible money management, and investment options. The programme encouraged informed financial decisions and greater financial preparedness.





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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Healthy Eyes, Happy Lives: Vision Screening Camp
Beneficiaries:	School students
Date:	28-09-2024
Venue:	Jaffarpur F.P. School, North 24 Parganas, West Bengal

Outcome: The “Healthy Eyes, Happy Life: Vision Screening Camp” directly improved access to basic health services by providing free vision screening and power checks to 190 patients. The programme helped identify ocular and vision-related concerns, supported appropriate referrals, and strengthened community awareness of preventive eye care and regular check-ups.





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Programme:	Cyber safety training
Basic service addressed:	Digital Services
Title of the Event:	Cyber Security Awareness
Date:	30-10-2024
Venue:	(University Building II, Auditorium), Brainware University
Participants:	Students of BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY

Outcome: The seminar indirectly supported safer access to digital services by improving participants' knowledge of cybersecurity threats, data protection, and responsible online practices. Participants gained practical awareness to identify, prevent, and respond to digital risks, contributing to safer use of online services.





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Programme:	Skill development and employment-readiness programmes that improve access to essential livelihood opportunities
Basic service addressed:	Livelihood/employment services
Title of the Event:	Navigating Careers with Specialized Technical Skills in the Pharmaceutical Sector
Target beneficiaries:	Students and faculty
Date:	07-11-2024
Venue:	Seminar Hall, Room 405, Building-III, Brainware University
Participants:	BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY students, 120 students (B. Pharm final and pre-final year students)

Outcome: The programme indirectly supported access to livelihood opportunities by providing students with practical knowledge of pharmaceutical-sector careers, technical skills, recruitment processes, and workplace expectations. This strengthened participants' preparedness to access employment opportunities and make informed career decisions.





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Programme:	Sanitization and Hygiene
Basic service addressed:	Training on sanitation, hygiene, and safe water practices
Title of the Event:	Showcasing Green Initiatives for a Zero-Waste Campus: Waste Segregation, Recycling, and Circular Economy Awareness
Target beneficiaries:	Students of Brainware University
Date:	18-11-2024
Venue:	Brainware University Campus
Participants:	Students of Brainware University

Outcome: The programme strengthened participants' knowledge of waste segregation, recycling, and pollution control, supporting healthier living conditions and responsible sanitation-related practices. By promoting practical environmental and waste-management behaviours among 2,006 participants, the programme contributed indirectly to community health and access to healthier environments.





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Programme:	Training on sanitation, hygiene and safe water practices
Basic service addressed:	Sanitation & Hygiene
Title of the Event:	Sustainable Practices for Pollution Control: Participatory Approaches to Advance Waste Management and Recycling for a Greener Tomorrow
Target beneficiaries:	Total Campus population
Date:	02-12-2024
Venue:	Indian Institute of Bio-Social Research and Development (IBRAD), Jl 17 Prafulla Kanan, Kestopur, VIP Road, Kolkata, West Bengal 700101
Participants:	Students of UG and PG

Outcome: The programme indirectly supported sanitation-related well-being by improving participants' knowledge of waste segregation, reduction, reuse, recycling, and pollution-control practices. It encouraged practical behaviours that contribute to cleaner and healthier community environments.





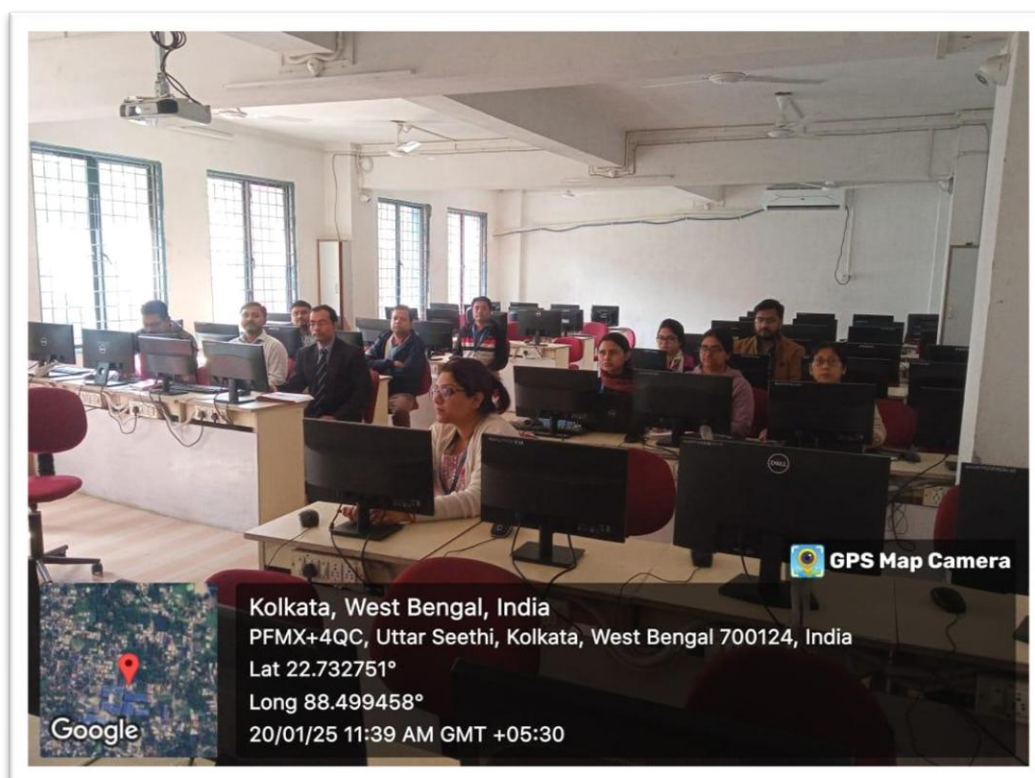
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Programme:	Cyber safety training
Basic service addressed:	Digital Services
Title of the Event:	CryptoGenX: Empowering future AI with Cyber Risk
Date:	20-01-2025
Venue:	Online
Participants:	Faculty members of BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY

Outcome: The programme indirectly supported safer access to digital services by strengthening participants' technical understanding of Generative AI, cybersecurity, and secure digital solutions. The hands-on learning improved participants' ability to apply digital technologies responsibly and securely in research and real-world contexts.





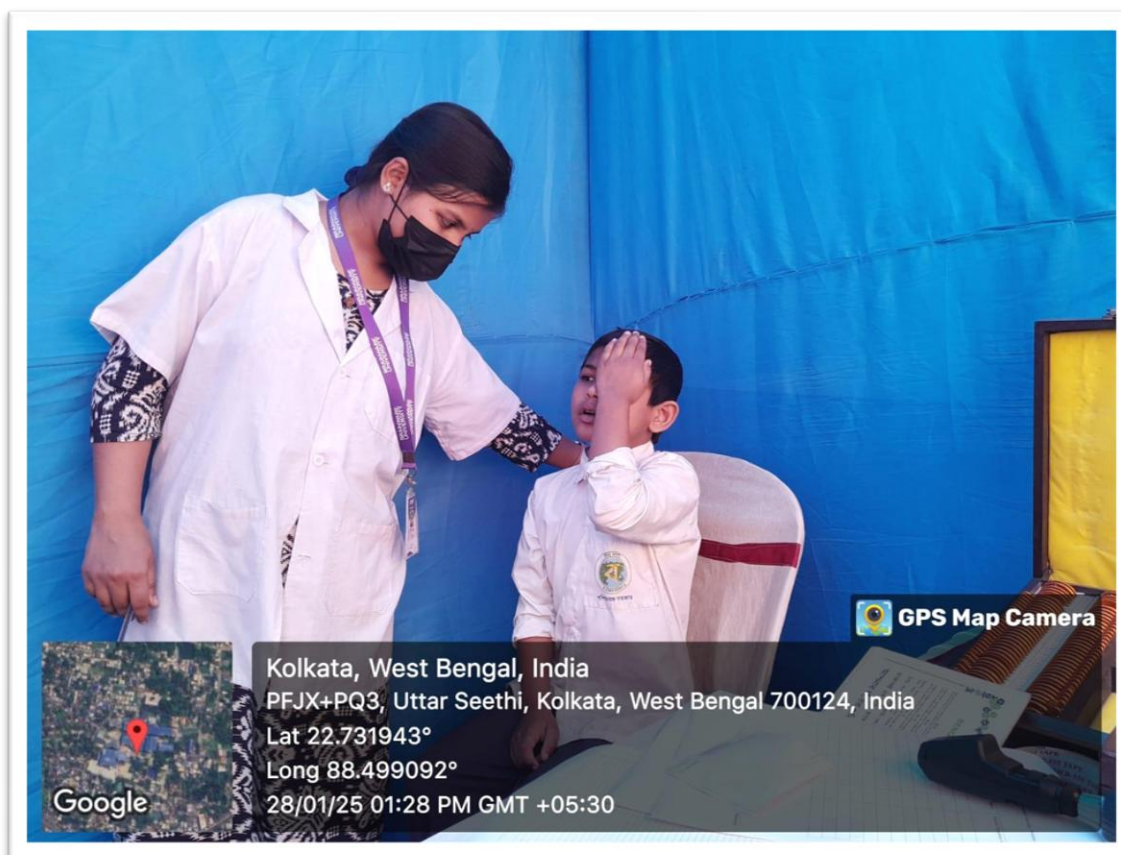
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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Clear Vision for All- Vision Screening Camp
Beneficiaries:	School students
Date:	28-01-2025
Venue:	Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Memorial High Madrasah- Chhoto Jagulia , District - North 24 Parganas

Outcome: The “Eyesight Excellence Vision Screening Camp” directly improved access to basic health services by providing free vision screening and power checks to 70 patients. The programme helped identify vision-related concerns, facilitated appropriate referrals, and increased awareness of regular eye check-ups and preventive eye care.



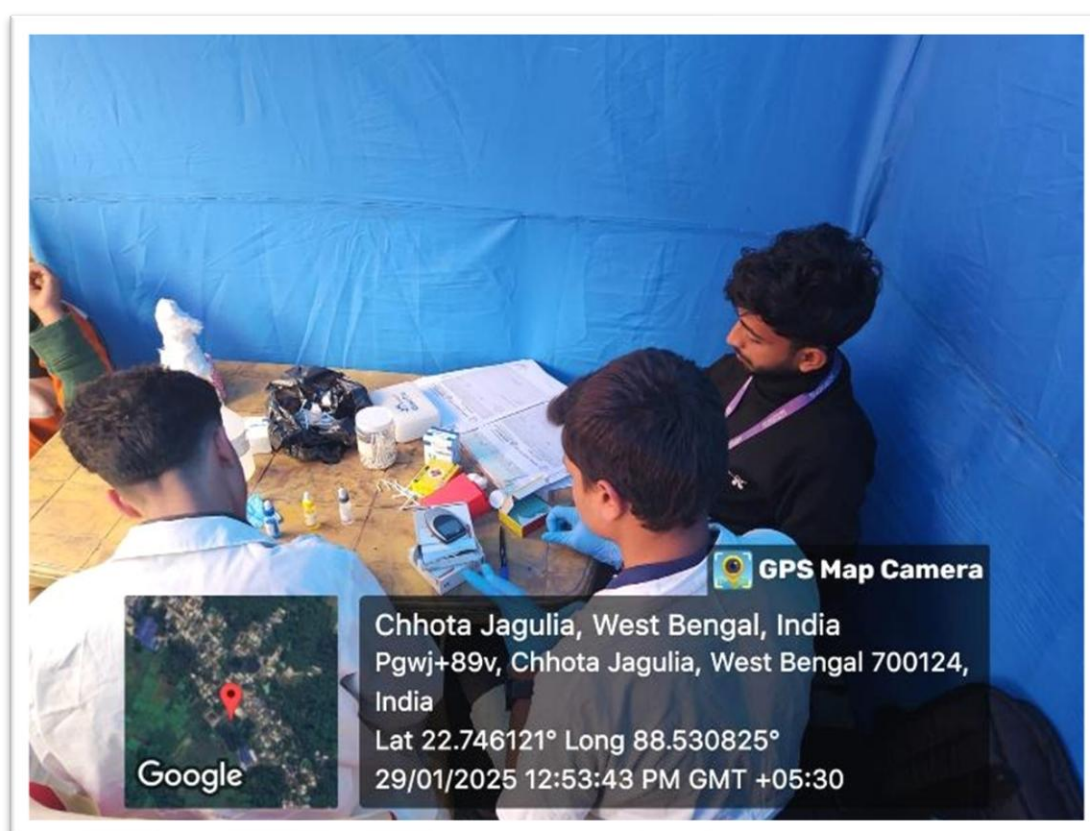


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Programme:	Screening camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Wellness & Diagnosis Health Check-up Camp
Beneficiaries:	Students of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Memorial High Madrasah
Date:	29-01-2025
Venue:	Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Memorial High Madrasah- Chhoto Jagulia, District - North 24 Parganas

Outcome: The “Wellness & Diagnosis” Health Check-up Camp directly improved access to basic health services by providing free health screening and basic medical guidance to local residents. Screening for blood glucose and blood pressure, together with health advice and referrals, supported early identification of potential health concerns and access to appropriate follow-up care.





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Programme:	Financial Inclusion Programme
Basic service addressed:	Financial Services
Title of the Event:	Financial Awareness and Consumer Training (FACT) Program
Date:	06-02-2025
Venue:	Seminar Hall, Prafulla Bhavan (University Building III-405)
Participants:	Students of UG and PG

Outcome: The Financial Awareness and Consumer Training (FACT) Programme indirectly supported participants' ability to manage financial resources by improving financial literacy, consumer awareness, and responsible money-management skills. The programme encouraged informed financial decisions and greater financial preparedness for essential needs and long-term financial stability.





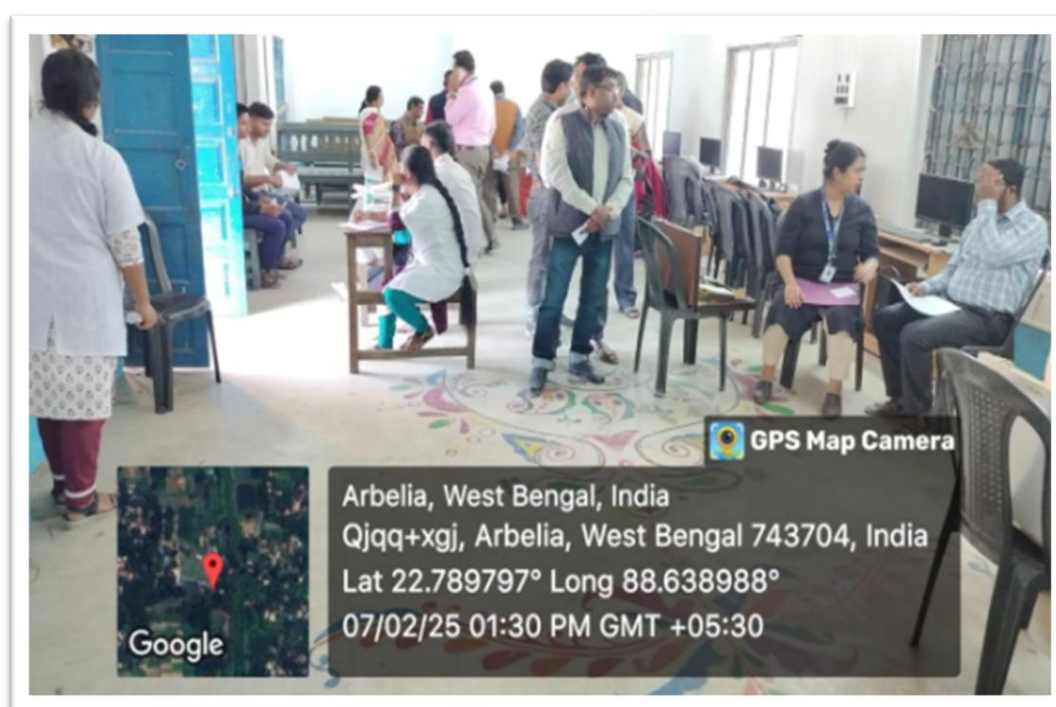
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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Eye care Awareness Vision Screening Camp
Beneficiaries:	School students
Date:	07-02-2025
Venue:	Prithiba High School

Outcome: The “Eye Care Awareness Vision Screening Camp” directly improved access to basic health services by providing free vision screening and power checks to 86 participants. The programme supported early identification of potential vision concerns and promoted preventive eye care, regular check-ups, and appropriate follow-up.





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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	"Care and Cure" Diagnostic Health Check-up Camp
Beneficiaries:	School students
Date:	07-02-2025
Venue:	Prithiba Kumar Gokul Chandra Memorial High School, PO - Prithiba, District - 24 Parganas.

Outcome: The "Care and Cure" Diagnostic Health Check-up Camp directly improved access to basic health services by providing free health screening, including blood grouping and blood glucose testing, to 78 participants. The programme supported early identification of potential health concerns and guided further care, strengthening community access to preventive healthcare.





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Programme:	Literacy, basic education, learning-support programmes
Basic service addressed:	Educational Services
Title of the Event:	Outreach Activity: School Health Programme
Target beneficiaries:	The students of Pd. Jawaharlal Nehru Smriti Hindi FP School, Barasat
Date:	24-02-2025
Venue:	Pd. Jawaharlal Nehru Smriti Hindi FP School, Barasat

Outcome: The School Health Programme supported access to basic health services by combining health education with vital-sign screening and personalised health guidance for school students. Participants improved their understanding of hygiene, sanitation, nutrition, physical activity, and preventive healthcare, helping them make informed health and self-care choices.





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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Hematocare Diagnostic Health Check-up Camp
Beneficiaries:	Students of Radhika Town High School
Date:	27-02-2025
Venue:	Radhika Town High School, Rishra

Outcome: The “Focus on Vision” Screening Event directly improved access to basic health services by providing free vision screening and power checks to 316 patients. The programme helped identify vision-related concerns, guided participants towards appropriate care and referrals, and promoted regular eye check-ups and preventive eye care.





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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Focus on Vision-A Screening Camp
Beneficiaries:	School students
Date:	27-02-2025
Venue:	Radhika Town High School, Rishra

Outcome: The “Focus on Vision: Screening Event” directly improved access to basic health services by providing free vision screening and power checks to 316 patients. The programme supported identification of ocular and vision-related concerns, provided appropriate guidance and referrals, and strengthened community awareness of preventive eye care.





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Programme:	Legal Aid and Awareness Camp
Basic service addressed:	Legal Services
Title of the Event:	Outreach Activity on “Legal Aid & Awareness Camp on Gender Issues.”
Target beneficiaries:	BBA(LLB)-2023 students
Date:	28-02-2025
Venue:	Seva Sangha Mahila Samity (Regd. No. S/41715 of 1983–84) (W.B. Society Registration Act-XXVI of 1961), Regd. Office: VIII–8, Qakali P.O.: Gola Bar, P.S. Duttapukur, Barasat, North 24 Parganas, West Bengal (India), Pin Code: 743423.

Outcome: The “Legal Aid and Awareness Camp on Gender Issues” indirectly supported access to essential support services by improving awareness of legal rights, available legal remedies, and pathways to legal assistance, particularly for women and children. The programme also strengthened students’ capacity for community interaction, legal counselling, and documentation, supporting more informed access to assistance among underserved community members.





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Programme:	Skill development and employment-readiness programmes that improve access to essential livelihood opportunities
Basic service addressed:	Livelihood/employment services
Title of the Event:	From Workshop to Workforce: Industry Skills Development
Target beneficiaries:	Diploma Mechanical 2022, 2023, 2024 batches
Date:	02-04-2025
Venue:	Indistrokes Private Limited, Sankrail Industrial Park
Participants:	BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY students, 28 students

Outcome: The Industry Skills Development event indirectly supported access to livelihood opportunities by providing practical engineering skills, workplace exposure, safety knowledge, and problem-solving competencies. The training strengthened participants' preparedness to enter employment and navigate workplace requirements.





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Programme:	Skill development and employment-readiness programmes that improve access to essential livelihood opportunities
Basic service addressed:	Livelihood/employment services
Title of the Event:	Navigating Careers with Specialised Technical Skills in the Pharmaceutical Sector
Date:	03-04-2025
Venue:	Brainware University Building - III, Seminar Hall, Room no. 405
Participants:	BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY students and faculty members

Outcome: The programme indirectly supported access to livelihood opportunities by strengthening students' knowledge of pharmaceutical-sector roles, career planning, interview preparedness, and industry expectations. Participants gained practical information and skills that can help them navigate the transition from higher education to employment.





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Programme:	Skill development and employment-readiness programmes where they improve access to essential livelihood opportunities
Basic service addressed:	Livelihood/employment services
Title of the Event:	Campus to Farm: A Pre-placement Dialogue
Date:	09-04-2025
Venue:	Room no 405, UB-III, BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY
Participants:	BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY students and faculty members

Outcome: The programme indirectly supported access to livelihood opportunities by connecting students with current agricultural-sector trends, industry expectations, and placement opportunities. It helped participants align their skills and career aspirations with employment requirements and prepare for transition from campus to professional work.





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Programme:	First-aid training
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Hands-on- First Aid Training by Indian Red Cross Society
Date:	10-04-2025
Venue:	UB-IV, 208
Participants:	Students of Allied Health Science

Outcome: The First Aid Training Programme strengthened participants' practical capacity to provide immediate basic health assistance during emergencies. Students learned to assess emergencies, provide appropriate first aid, prevent further harm, and maintain safety, thereby improving their preparedness to support individuals requiring urgent assistance.





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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Health Track Pathology Health Check-up Camp
Beneficiaries:	School students
Date:	19-04-2025
Venue:	Patharpratima, S. 24 parganas

Outcome: The Health Track Check-up Camp directly improved access to basic health services by providing free health screening, including blood grouping and blood glucose testing, to 37 local community patients. The programme supported early identification of potential health concerns, preventive health awareness, and appropriate follow-up guidance.





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Programme:	Training on sanitation, hygiene and safe water practices
Basic service addressed:	Sanitation & Hygiene
Title of the Event:	Waste Utilization-Paving the Way to a Circular Economy
Date:	23-04-2025
Venue:	Seminar Hall, Building II, Vidyasagar Bhawan, Room 303, Brainware University
Participants:	Students of UG and PG

Outcome: The programme indirectly supported healthier living conditions through training on sustainable waste utilisation, resource conservation, and circular-economy practices. By increasing awareness of responsible waste management and resource efficiency, it contributed to sanitation- and environment-related community well-being.





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Programme:	Digital Literacy
Basic service addressed:	Digital Services
Title of the Event:	Alumni Talk Series -Session 5- Clicks to Conversions-A Hands-On Workshop on Digital Marketing
Date:	24-04-2025
Venue:	Vidyasagar Bhavan (UB-II) Seminar Hall - 007
Participants:	Students of BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY

Outcome: The workshop indirectly supported access to digital services and livelihood opportunities by developing practical skills in digital marketing, online business tools, and digital performance analysis. Participants gained hands-on knowledge that can improve their ability to use digital platforms and apply digital skills in real-world work and entrepreneurial contexts.



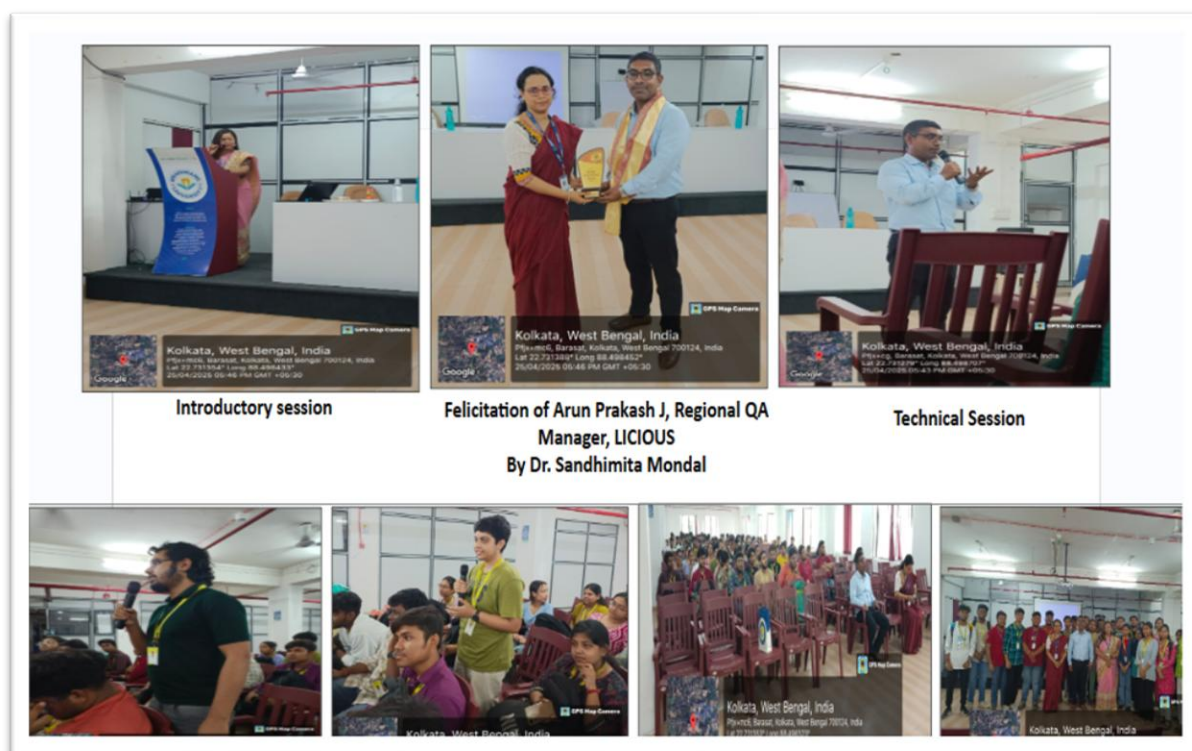


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Programme:	Training on sanitation, hygiene and safe water practices
Basic service addressed:	Sanitation & Hygiene
Title of the Event:	Food Safety Excellence in Meat Processing-Auditing under Global Standards (BRC, HACCP Level 4, and Codex Compliance)
Target beneficiaries:	BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY students, UG and PG students
Date:	25-04-2025
Venue:	Vivekananda Bhawan, Nursing Building, Room-202, Building-II, Brainware University
Participants:	BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY students, UG and PG students of BBT, AHS, CS, CSS-AI, CSE-CS & DS, HM

Outcome: The event supported health-related well-being by strengthening participants' practical knowledge of food safety standards, quality assurance, auditing, and regulatory compliance in meat processing. The training contributed indirectly to safer food practices and improved understanding of measures that protect public health.





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Programme:	Literacy, basic education, learning-support programmes
Basic service addressed:	Educational Services
Title of the Event:	The Hidden Math around Us
Target beneficiaries:	Class VI-B students of Quazipara Hazrat Ekdil Shah High School
Date:	26-04-2025
Venue:	Quazipara Hazrat Ekdil Shah High School

Outcome: The outreach programme supported access to educational learning opportunities by using practical, interactive mathematics activities to strengthen students' understanding and engagement. Participants connected mathematical concepts with everyday situations, helping make learning more accessible and meaningful.





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Programme:	Screening Camp
Basic service addressed:	Health Services
Title of the Event:	Sight Health Eye Check-up Camp
Beneficiaries:	School students
Date:	03-05-2025
Venue:	Yuva Milan Sangha, Nagarthuba, Habra

Outcome: The “Sight Health Eye Checkup Camp at Yuva Milan Sangha, Habra” directly improved access to basic health services by providing comprehensive eye examinations to 61 individuals. The programme helped identify refractive errors and other vision-related conditions, facilitated referrals for further evaluation and treatment, and promoted preventive eye-care practices.





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Programme:	Digital Literacy
Basic service addressed:	Digital Services
Title of the Event:	User Awareness Programme on National Digital Library of India & NDLI Club
Date:	05-05-2025
Venue:	Online
Participants:	Students of BRAINWARE UNIVERSITY

Outcome: The workshop indirectly supported access to educational services by improving participants' ability to use the National Digital Library of India and its digital resources. Students, faculty, and researchers gained practical awareness of e-books, academic documents, research materials, and other resources, helping broaden access to quality learning and research materials.





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9. Conclusion

Brainware University's **Annual Report on SDG 1 - No Poverty for Academic Year 2024-25** demonstrates a comprehensive institutional commitment to reducing financial barriers, promoting inclusive education, strengthening livelihoods, and supporting economically and socially disadvantaged communities. The University has integrated SDG 1 across **research, financial aid and student support, institutional anti-poverty measures, community interventions, and inclusive outreach**, in alignment with Sustainability Impact.

A major contribution during the reporting period was the provision of **scholarships and financial assistance to students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds**. The report records substantial support through government and other scholarship schemes, along with institutional scholarships and fee concessions, thereby contributing to improved affordability, access, retention and continuity in higher education. The University also extended financial support to students from low- and lower-middle-income countries, reinforcing its commitment to inclusive and equitable access to education.

The University's contribution to SDG 1 is further strengthened through poverty-related research and international research collaboration. Research activities addressed themes including financial inclusion, digital inequality, women's economic empowerment, entrepreneurship, disaster resilience, sustainable agriculture and livelihood development. The report also documents extensive collaborations with researchers and institutions from low- and lower-middle-income countries.

At the community level, Brainware University undertook UBA and outreach initiatives addressing rural livelihoods, agricultural productivity and economic resilience, while its anti-poverty initiatives included entrepreneurship support, start-up assistance, access to basic services and community-oriented programmes. Health screening, vision screening, digital and financial literacy, legal awareness, skill development and other outreach activities further demonstrate the University's effort to address the multidimensional nature of poverty.

Overall, the evidence presented in the report indicates that Brainware University is progressively embedding poverty alleviation, financial inclusion, social empowerment and sustainable community development within its institutional ecosystem. The University's approach goes beyond financial assistance by connecting education, research, innovation, entrepreneurship and community engagement as complementary instruments for poverty reduction.

Going forward, the University can further strengthen its SDG 1 impact by expanding measurable livelihood and entrepreneurship outcomes, documenting the actual financial assistance generated through community start-up initiatives, strengthening evidence of



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institutional participation in policy-making, and systematically measuring the long-term outcomes of its anti-poverty interventions.

In conclusion, Brainware University's initiatives during Academic Year 2024-25 reflect a meaningful and multidimensional contribution towards SDG 1 - No Poverty, demonstrating its commitment to making quality higher education more accessible, strengthening economic and social inclusion, and extending institutional knowledge and resources towards the sustainable development of vulnerable communities.