

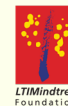


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A Decade of Empowerment



Message



In the realm of education, inclusivity has emerged as an indispensable element of contemporary learning. Providing all students, irrespective of their abilities, with equitable access to learning resources represents a significant advancement toward a more inclusive society. Quizabled is an initiative making considerable progress in this direction as Quizabled enters its 10th year, it continues to break barriers in inclusive education. Since 2016, this Seva-in-Action initiative, supported by the LTIMindtree Foundation (formerly LTI), has expanded to encompass over 1300 schools and engage more than 12,000 participants nationwide. Quizabled has been registered as an independent entity known as Quizabled Foundation, thereby

reaffirming its commitment to knowledge development, the empowerment of persons with disabilities, and the promotion of inclusivity.

This year, Quizabled extended its reach to 14 states, encompassing Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, and Tamil Nadu in the South; Maharashtra and Gujarat in the West; Odisha in the East; Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and Madhya Pradesh in the North and Central regions; and Assam and Meghalaya in the Northeast. A particularly noteworthy milestone in the journey of Quizabled was its expansion into the Northeast through Assam and Meghalaya.

Now Quizabled has been registered as an independent **Quizabled Foundation**, the initiative introduced the **Innovative Learning Activities & Projects (ILAP)** this year to nurture 21st-century skills through STEAM education. A proud moment was Quizabled's feature on **DD Chandana** for the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. As we move forward, Quizabled aims to expand further into underserved regions, empowering children, teachers, and schools with inclusive and creative learning tools.

Our sincere thanks to LTIMindtree for their unwavering support in making the 10th edition of Quizabled a success and contributions of NGO partners, principals, teachers, and parents have been instrumental in the success of Quizabled

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It gives me immense pleasure to see the phenomenal work of Seva-in-Action & LTI Mindtree in the form of their innovative platform "Quizabled" which recently concluded in Shillong and made waves with its exciting and engaging template.

It is a most befitting tribute to the quest of learning no matter what is the intellectual disability of the participants. It is a celebration of life and joyful learning. The thoughtful programme organized in Shillong for the first time was a resounding success. The brilliant support and partnership with Meghalaya Parents Association for Disabled (MEPAD) made the programme more beautiful.

I wish Seva-in-Action & LTI Mindtree all the very best. I also take this opportunity to profusely thank Meghalaya Parents Association for Disabled for lending vocal and outstanding support to this noble cause. Children with Intellectual Disability, Autism & Cerebral Palsy are special and creative in their pursuits and "Quizabled" has created a wonderful space for them which is a stupendous achievement. I hope there will be many more innovative events to follow.

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INTERESTING FACTS



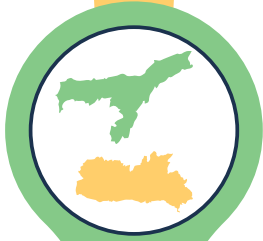
Reaching out to Rural, Tribal, and Aspirational Districts!

In regions like Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and Madhya Pradesh rural and tribal areas faced challenges with internet connectivity and access to digital devices. Despite these hurdles, organizations have made efforts to ensure participation. They organized local participants from various remote locations.



DD Chandana Hosts Quiz for Students with VI & HI During Disability Week in Karnataka

Totally 89 students with Visual impaired and 88 students with HI participated in prelims and 16 students with VI & HI participated in final quiz was organized and broadcasted on DD Chandana. The broadcast not only created an engaging and equal opportunities for all, reinforcing the commitment to empowering differently-abled individuals through education and media.



State Finals Shine in Assam & Meghalaya

The Quizabled State Finals in Guwahati and Shillong served as a powerful initiative to promote inclusivity, skill development, and awareness about students with disabilities. Quizabled has broken the myths about their children with disabilities and built networking with the Govt of Meghalaya. First time people are seeing these kind of programmes in Shillong & Guwahati.



Networking Through Government Systems

The Education & Disability Welfare Department played a pivotal role in mobilizing children with disabilities from rural and aspirational districts across 14 states through collaboration and strong networks within Government systems. This partnership not only broadened the reach but also helped bridge the gap in educational access for children with disabilities, making the quizzing platform widespread.



Spark of Creativity and Innovation with ILAP Pilot Project in Southern States

For the first time, students with Intellectual Disabilities (ID) and Hearing Impairments (HI) came together as teams, moving from ideation to execution, and presenting their projects with creativity and enthusiasm. Mentor teachers played a crucial role in guiding the students, helping them translate their ideas into tangible outcomes.

10th Edition

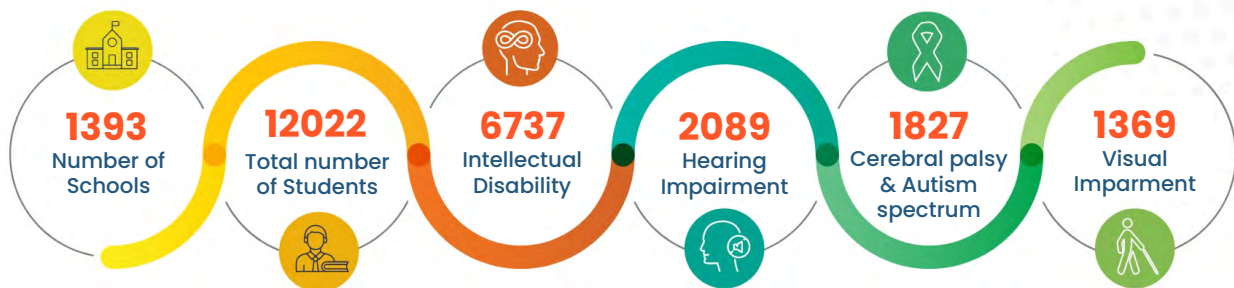
The journey of Quizabled from 2016 to 2024 reflects a dynamic and adaptive approach for creating a stimulating and innovative learning environment. It has made an impact to develop innovative pedagogies to enhance the learning process and knowledge development. The State, Zonal and National finals of the quiz had innovative concepts including project work activity to make it fun, interactive and to showcase their abilities. **The Quizabled has made a remarkable impact, reaching over 1300+ schools and engaging more than 12000+ participants across 14 States.**

The 10th edition of Quizabled with its new zonal format reached to 14 States through hybrid modes ensuring widespread involvement from aspirational, rural, tribal, and urban districts, leading to a greater impact with the focus on children and youth with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, including those with intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, and autism spectrum disorder.

An important milestone was reaching to North East in Assam & Meghalaya. Quizabled not only opened the doors for children with disabilities to showcase their talents and knowledge it provided with an opportunity for participation in the society for the future.

Positive Change

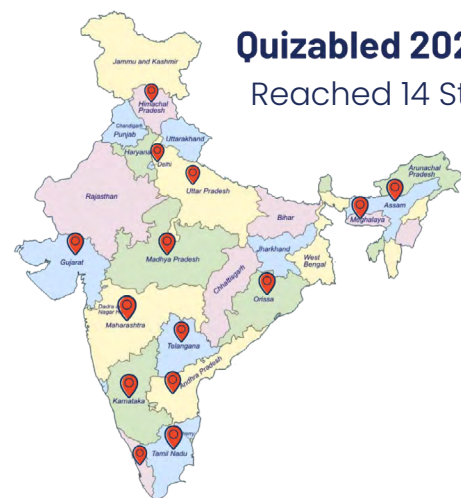
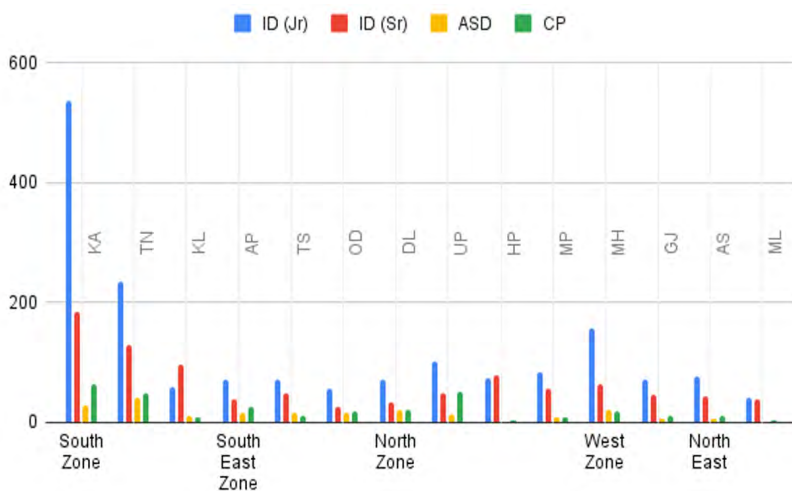
Children are showing improved confidence and active participation in learning activities. Their social and communication skills are developing positively through inclusive engagement



Recognizing the paramount importance of ensuring the sustainability and autonomy of this impactful project, it has been decided to transition Quizabled into a separate entity called "Quizabled Foundation". It is for the first time that a Corporate foundation and NGO has come together to form an organization in the disability space. The Quizabled Foundation was launched on 11th June 2024 by **the first board of Directors Mr. Paneesh Rao, LTIMF and Mr. Anirudh Biligeri Govindaya, SiA** in the presence of board members of Seva-in-Action Assn, Dr. Girimaji, Chairperson, Mrs. Ruma Banerjee, Vice Chairperson and Mr. Rajasekhara Reddy, Secretary with other board members and Quizabled team.

The impact of Quizabled has been tremendous and it has generated an awareness regarding the abilities of children and the need for creating an accessible, engaging, and sustainable knowledge development platform.

Reach of Quizabled from 2016 – 2024



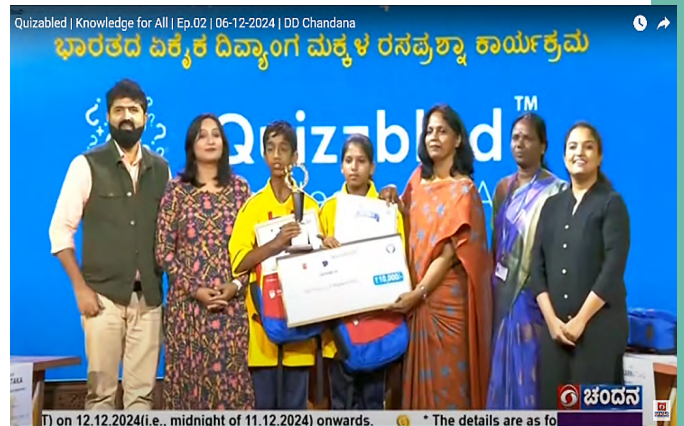
Quizabled 2024-25 Reached 14 States

PRELIMS & Semi Finals

The preliminary rounds and semi-final were conducted in online through www.quizabled.org website. The participants from rural, urban, tribal & aspirational districts participated. After semi-finals, 2 finalists were selected from each category for the zonal finals.

ZONES	STATES	NGO PARTNERS	ZONAL PARTNERS
SOUTH ZONE	KARNATAKA	SEVA-IN-ACTION	Spastics Society of Tamil Nadu (SPASTN), CHENNAI
	TAMIL NADU	SPASTN	
	KERALA	RAKSHA SOCIETY	
SOUTH EAST ZONE	ANDHRA PRADESH	UETS	Helen Keller's Institute of Research & Rehabilitation of Disabled Children (HKIRRDRC), HYDERABAD
	TELANGANA	HKIRRDRC	
	ODISHA	OLS	
NORTH ZONE	DELHI	SOB	Special Olympics Bharat (SOB), Delhi
	UTTAR PRADESH	SPARC INDIA	
	MADHYA PRADESH	SOB	
	HIMACHAL PRADESH	CHETNA SOCIETY	
WEST ZONE	MAHARASHTRA	SUJAYA FOUNDATION	Special Olympics Bharat (SOB), Gujarat
	GUJARAT	SOB	
NORTH EAST ZONE	ASSAM	ASHADEEP	State Finals
	MEGHALAYA	MEPAD	State Finals

Quiz Broadcast on **Doordarshan Karnataka (DD Chandana)** for Children & Youth with Visual & Hearing Impairment During International Day of Persons with Disabilities



Quizabled National Finals @ Bengaluru

The **10th Edition of Quizabled** organized 2nd National finals at Bangalore for 12 States across the country covering West Maharashtra & Gujarat, North Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh & Madhya Pradesh, South Karnataka, Tamil Nadu & Kerala and South East Andhra Pradesh, Telangana & Odisha.

Inauguration

The inauguration began with silent National Anthem and one of ILAP project students from Sri. B. D. Tatti memorial school for children with HI gave play on Punyakoti and graced by the chief guest Ms. H N Arathi, Asst Director Doordarshan Karnataka, DD Chandana.



INNOVATIVE LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS (ILAP)

The Innovative Learning Activities and Projects (ILAP) is a contest exclusive for children and youth with disabilities (Intellectual Disability and Hearing Impairment) under the Quizabled Foundation organized by Seva-in-Action. The goal of ILAP is to help students from middle and secondary schools, studying in grades 6 – 12 to showcase innovative learning activities and projects.

In the year 2024-25, ILAP was piloted across five states – Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. Out of a total of 69 ideas submitted from 41 special schools, 44 ideas were approved from 33 schools. 24 students from 12 schools presented 12 projects at the National Finals held in Bangalore on January 11, 2025. This initiative is the first step for Quizabled to move from focusing on knowledge and understanding to fostering application and innovation.

HIGHLIGHTS

UNVEILING POTENTIAL

The Innovative Learning Activities and Projects (ILAP) provided a platform that enabled students and teachers to think creatively and explore a myriad of ideas that can lend itself to a worthy project. The enthusiasm and initiative demonstrated by both students and teachers have been heartwarming.

Two budding actors, who joyfully narrated the tale of **Punya Koti** in Sign Language, transformed into **CONFIDENT STAGE PERFORMERS** in full costume.

DETERMINED PERFECTIONISTS practiced extensively to flawlessly present their **Water Purification Model**.

GREEN ENERGY CHAMPIONS built a remote-controlled, solar-powered car, sourcing all material themselves.

ENTHUSIASTIC "INVENTORS" created a working model demonstrating electricity generation from water after multiple iterations.

The **DAZZLING YAKSHAGANA PERFORMERS** first mastered steps and expressions before rehearsing in full costume for brilliant execution.

With a little guidance, a **MENTOR TEACHER UNLEASHED CREATIVITY** to bring a story to life through a vibrant, illustrated comic book.

An **INQUISITIVE STUDENT** convinced her family to visit the **Keeladi** excavation site in Tamil Nadu for a deeper understanding of **ARCHAEOLOGY**.

YOUNG WILDLIFE ENTHUSIASTS visited a Snake Park, drawing inspiration to create a Photo Book showcasing their discoveries.



NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

Children & youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder



Children & youth with Cerebral Palsy



Children & youth with (Intellectual Disability – Junior)



Children & youth with (Intellectual Disability – Senior)



Testimonial

I am truly grateful for the exceptional arrangements made during the Quizabled Program. The activities you organized kept them engaged, entertained, and happy throughout the program, which made difference in ensuring their experience was enjoyable. The accommodations were not only comfortable but perfectly suited to our needs, providing us with a peaceful and welcoming environment after our busy days. Your team's dedication, hard work, and thoughtful approach in making Quizabled a success did not go unnoticed. It was a privilege to be part of such a well-organized and supportive team.

– Mr. Santhosh, Father of Harsha from WARDS, Bengaluru



Volunteers' Experience

The event was not only impactful for participants but also deeply enriching for the volunteers. Many described it as a once-in-a-lifetime experience, expressing how honoured they felt to contribute to such a meaningful and inclusive initiative.

This landmark event truly celebrated inclusivity, knowledge, and empowerment—setting a powerful precedent and paving the way for many more transformative initiatives in the region.



Inspiring stories



Ambition for Technology

An inspiring story of **Pallav**, a remarkable young student from SOS Children's Village in Bhopal. He has a burning desire to become a computer engineer, and despite facing numerous challenges due to limited resources, his passion for technology and learning never wavers. Pallav's dedication shone brightly when he not only won the North Zonal Finals but also participated in the National Finals held in Bangalore. This incredible opportunity allowed him to visit a planetarium, an experience that fuelled his determination to pursue his dreams even further after seeing the sky show.

He had always wished for a mobile phone to aid his studies, but his teacher encouraged him to focus on completing his 10th standard first. To his surprise and delight, Pallav's dream came true when he received a mobile phone as part of a goody bag from Quizabled! Overjoyed and deeply grateful, Pallav expressed his sincere thanks to the Quizabled team, recognizing how this thoughtful gift would significantly support his education and bring him closer to achieving his goals.

Resilience and interest

Ashwin Jojo, a student from Karuna School in Kerala. Ashwin's participation provided him invaluable exposure, as he interacted with children from across India which significantly boosted his confidence and knowledge. A key highlight for Ashwin was learning to travel independently. The program included comprehensive training for train travel, skill that has opened up new opportunities for his personal development. We ensured that all logistics, including travel and accommodation, were meticulously organized, creating a seamless and enriching experience for all participants.

Ashwin's family has shared how transformative this experience was for him. His father expressed his sincere gratitude, and family members came from all over to support and celebrate Ashwin, including his cousins who travelled to Bangalore and his aunt and uncle from Coimbatore. After the event, Ashwin was excited to share his experiences, a clear indication of how much he enjoyed the program. His parents celebrated his success by welcoming him home with sweets and joy. They witnessed first-hand the positive changes in his confidence and social skills.



NGO Partners making Quizabled a PAN India Programme

