

ABOUT HIMWATS

HIMWATS (Himalaya Water Services Tatha Vikas Evam Paryavaran Sanrakshan Samiti) is a registered non-governmental organization (Reg. No. 758/1997-98) established in 1997 and has been actively working for over 25 years in the remote and underserved regions of Uttarakhand. The organization is dedicated to improving the lives of rural and underprivileged communities through quality education, environmental awareness, social empowerment, and public health initiatives.

The core mission of HIMWATS is to uplift marginalized sections of society—especially children from economically weaker backgrounds—by providing access to quality education, skill development, and learning resources. The NGO defines education in a broad sense, including formal, non-formal, remedial, alternative, and vocational training programs.

Over the years, HIMWATS has adopted several government schools in Champawat and surrounding districts, providing them with qualified teachers, digital learning tools, science laboratories, rotating libraries, and regular teacher training.

The Learning and Science Resource Center (LASRC) at Kulethi is a unique initiative where over 150 science experiments which was established with the help of Dr.H.C.Verma, are available for hands-on learning. The center also offers digital projectors, desktops, and internet-based learning to ensure students are ready for 21st-century challenges.

In addition, HIMWATS runs various programs such as:



➤ Since 2005 Himwats had adopted various govt schools in which Distribution of free uniforms, textbooks, musical instruments, furnitures and medical tablets to promote attendance and reduce dropout rates. Whereas the govt started distributing all this from 2010 onwards.

➤ Siddha Jagaran Seva (SJS): Awareness programs for guardians and villagers through seminars, workshops, science days, and melas with the help of experts from renowned

universities and research institutes.

- Vocational Training: Skill development programs in dress designing, computer basics, and job-oriented training for youth in collaboration with industries and universities.
- Scholarship and Support Programs: Financial and academic support for students from class 8 onward, including those pursuing engineering and medical education.
- Experience based science learning – from last 3 years Himwats has been organising Experience based children Science workshops/fairs in various govt schools of Champawat District with the help of UCOST Dehradun.
- ATL established in 2020 - 21 : with the efforts of founder of Himwats, Prof H.D.Bisht, the only Atl tinkering lab in india at junior school has been set up at Kulethi. The Lab is equipped with robotics kits, sensors, a 3-D printer, a telescope, and various scientific instruments.



The impact of HIMWATS' efforts is clearly visible: since 2005, over 66 students from their adopted schools have cleared the Navodaya entrance exams and 16 have qualified for NTSE. HIMWATS students have excelled in the government's "Sapno Ki Udaan" competitions, achieving recognition at block, district, state, and even national levels.

With active involvement from community members, local leaders, academic institutions, and dedicated volunteers (like the Knowledge Club members), HIMWATS continues to bridge the rural-urban education gap. Their future focus includes Tablet-Assisted STEM Education, preparing students for the digital age through interactive and technology-enabled learning.

HIMWATS is led by a committed team including President Prof. K.K. Pande, Secretary Dr. G.B. Bisht, and a dedicated executive committee. Despite having no permanent employees, the NGO operates successfully through part-time educators and volunteers.



School bags distribution



distribution of Health enhancer medicines



Science workshops at govt schools



Organization of Awareness programs



Scholarship distribution program



Certificate of appreciation to the organization for excellent work