



Bannu

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BANNU AROGYADA SEVA SOCIETY

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DELIVERING HEALTH CARE AND EDUCATION TO THE UNDERSERVED
WITH CARE, COMPASSION AND COMMITMENT

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THE STORY BEHIND THE NAME "BANNU"

The name **Bannu** holds a deep personal significance—it is the name of **Dr. Charanjit Reddy's beloved mother**, whose values and compassion continue to inspire the organization's mission.

Dr. Reddy credits his mother as the driving force behind his **passion for serving rural communities and children with intellectual disabilities**. She always envisioned a world where **quality healthcare reached the most underserved**, particularly in **tribal regions** where access is scarce. Her unwavering commitment to **helping the poor and marginalized** serves as the foundation of Bannu's work today.

ABOUT THE NGO:

Bannu is a nonprofit organization dedicated to **transforming lives of underprivileged sections** by improving access to **healthcare and education for Intellectually disabled**. With a firm belief in sustainable development and social equity, Bannu has been actively working to **bridge the gap between underserved communities and essential services**.

Founded by **Dr. Charanjit Reddy**, a **native of Warangal, India**, Bannu was first established as **Bannu INC in the United States in September 2011** and later registered as a nonprofit in **India in December 2013**. Dr. Reddy, a practicing **Internal Medicine specialist in the U.S. for over 22 years**, holds an **MBBS, MD (US), and an MBA in Hospital Management**.

His deep-rooted commitment to social welfare led him to create Bannu, with a vision of uplifting marginalized communities and fostering a **healthier, more educated society**.

ABOUT THE FOUNDER



Dr. Charanjit Reddy Veeramalla

MBBS –Kakatiya Medical College –Warangal 1998-99

“Clinical Associate”-Bancroft Neurohealth New Jersey 2003

Internal Medicine Residency in New York 2006

Fellowship in Research Nephrology-Drexel University School of Medicine –Philadelphia, 2008

MBA in Healthcare Management from Texas A & M University -current

Dr. Charanjit Reddy has been a **dedicated internist in the United States** since **2006**, successfully serving in multiple hospitals while also managing and expanding his establishments in both the **United States and India**. Despite his demanding career as a full-time physician, **Dr. Reddy remains deeply involved in Bannu’s operations**, ensuring its mission to **empower rural communities through healthcare and education** is fulfilled.

OVERCOMING CHALLENGES

🌐 **Remote Management Across Two Continents:** Managing operations in both **India and the United States** remotely has been a significant challenge. However, Dr. Reddy has **leveraged technology and strong leadership teams** to ensure smooth operations. Through **virtual meetings**,

real-time data tracking, and efficient delegation, he maintains active engagement in daily decision-making.

💰 **Financial Sustainability & Resource Allocation:** Running nonprofit initiatives in **rural and tribal areas** requires **strategic financial planning** to sustain services and scale operations. Dr. Reddy has successfully secured **funding, optimized resources, and implemented financial management systems** to ensure long-term sustainability.

🏥 **Healthcare Access in Underserved Areas:** Bringing **quality healthcare to tribal and remote regions** presents logistical and infrastructural challenges. To address this, Dr. Reddy has led efforts to **set up OF A 20 bed multispecialty hospital in remote area of Mulugu District mobile medical units, organize health camps, and develop partnerships** with local health professionals to expand access.

🎓 **Special Education for Children with Intellectual Disabilities:** Ensuring that children with intellectual disabilities receive proper **education and care** in underserved areas requires trained staff, curriculum development, and inclusive facilities. Under Dr. Reddy's leadership, **Bannu has developed specialized education programs with the support of NIMH, hired trained professionals, and created inclusive learning spaces** to cater to these children's unique needs.

A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Dr. Reddy's leadership has been instrumental in **transforming Bannu from a vision into a life-changing force**. Looking ahead, he remains committed to:

✓ **Expanding healthcare access** by completing the secondary care hospital and launching additional medical services by increasing the beds to 50.

✓ **Enhancing educational initiatives** with a broader curriculum and support for more children with disabilities, establishing of a College, in-house stay for students and a Rehabilitation center all in once building.

✓ **Strengthening financial sustainability** through strategic partnerships, donor engagement, and resource optimization.

With an unwavering **dedication to service, innovation, and impact**, Dr. Reddy continues to **lead Bannu towards a future where quality healthcare and education are accessible to all, regardless of geography or background.**



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDER

■ "Service to others is the rent we pay for our time on earth." – Inspired by my mother's lifelong compassion, these words define the heart of Bannu's mission.

"Bannu is more than just an organization—it is a reflection of my mother's compassion, my personal mission, and the collective effort of every individual who believes in the power of service. Growing up in Warangal, I witnessed firsthand the struggles of those with limited access to healthcare and education. These experiences shaped my resolve to give back, not just as a doctor, but as someone committed to creating sustainable solutions for the most vulnerable communities."

"Over the years, Bannu has grown from a vision into a movement—one that uplifts, empowers, and transforms lives in the most underserved regions. Whether it's providing healthcare in remote tribal villages or ensuring that children with intellectual disabilities receive the education they deserve, our work is driven by the belief that every life is valuable."

"This journey has not been without challenges, but the resilience of the people we serve, the dedication of our team, and the generosity of our supporters have fueled our progress. I am deeply grateful to each volunteer, donor, and partner who has walked this path with us. Together, we are not just addressing problems—we are building a future where healthcare and education are not privileges, but fundamental rights for all."

"As we look ahead, I invite you to continue this journey with us. With your support, we can expand our impact, reach more lives, and fulfill the promise of a better tomorrow."

With gratitude,

Dr. Charanjit Reddy

Founder, Bannu Arogyada Seva Society



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Our Mission & Vision

Bannu is a nonprofit organization dedicated to **transforming lives through Health and Education** in rural India. Our goal is to create **sustainable, long-term improvements** in regions facing **neglect, high risks, and a lack of essential services**.

Our Current Focus Areas:

✓ **Special Education for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities**

- Providing **tailored educational programs** to support and empower children with intellectual disabilities.
- Ensuring access to **specialized resources, trained educators, and inclusive learning environments**.

✓ **Establishing a Secondary Care Hospital in a Remote Tribal Region**

- Setting up a **fully functional healthcare facility** in an area with **no existing medical services**.
- Delivering **affordable and free critical healthcare** to underserved populations.

✓ **Delivering Free Critical Services**

- Through our **health and education centers**, we provide **free medical care, educational support, and community-driven programs** to vulnerable groups.

At Bannu, we believe that **every individual deserves access to quality healthcare and education**, regardless of their background or circumstances. Through our **dedicated initiatives**, we are committed to building a **healthier, more educated, and empowered society** in rural India.

BOARD MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY:

Dr. V. Charanjit Reddy- FOUNDER & CHAIRMAN-

- Dr.V Charanjit Reddy has been working as an internist in several hospitals in the United States of America successfully since 2006. Apart from Dr. Reddy practicing as a full time physician he also manages efficiently all of his establishments in USA as well as in India remotely from the United States of America.



Dr. Kyle Knuppel - DIRECTOR STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



- Dr. Knuppel completed his residency in Family Medicine at Maine-Dartmouth. Since graduating, he has served as Director of Inpatient Services for a critical access hospital and is currently an Interim Medical Director for a tribal health clinic. During his medical training he worked in Central America, Africa and South Asia. Along with Dr. Charanjit Veeramalla, he is Co-Founder of the Bannu nonprofit School for Children with Special Needs and Bannu Hospital, in the state of Telangana, India, for which he is currently Director of Strategic Development and International Partnerships.

Shri. V. Chandrajith Reddy- PRESIDENT

- Chandrajith Reddy V is the president of the "Bannu Arogyada Seva Society" the Indian subsidy of Bannu. He is into Paramedic and Hospital administration with about 20years of experience in the field of patient care, operation theater assistant, hospital administrator as well as plays a very vital role in carrying out his responsibilities in a senior leadership position in the organization



Dr V. Ravi Chander-VICE PRESIDENT



- Senior Surgical Oncologist, Qualification: MBBS, MS(Surgery), Currently practicing as the HOD in Century Hospital, Hyderabad. And as been an active participant as the secretary of Bannu Arogyada Seva Society.



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Shri Kishore Jeeri- TREASURER

- A person with a strong intent to work for the social cause. Mr Kishore is very much involved in the projects of the society and available upon need at any time.



Shri EV Srinivas Rao – GENERAL SECRETARY



- The Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) State Managing Committee member. And is very active in organizing service oriented programmes besides spreading awareness about the importance of blood banks, generic medical stores and thalassemia malady. He oversees the entire operations of Bannu Childline 1098 and an active member of the strategic activities.

Shri Adv. A Jayashankar – JOINT SECRETARY

- Sr. Criminal lawyer practicing past 25 years in Warangal and also strong supporter of activities taken by Bannu. A strong supporter in our activities.



Vice Chancellor Prof. T Ramesh – JOINT SECRETARY



- Vice Chancellor –Kakatiya University and Professor in Department of Master of Social Work (MSW) dedicated to serve the needy and an active advisory of the society. An Academician who always stands for the social cause.

Smt. Kiran Kumari – EXECUTIVE MEMBER

- Kiran Kumari is the executive member and heading the special school – Bannu neuro Health and Rehabilitation Institute – its overall activities since establishment, right from day to day function to school events and programs, sports etc., Also an active member in strategic planning of the society.



OUR PROJECTS

S. No.	Program/Project Name	Location	Year of Establishment/ Completion
a.	Bannu Neuro Health & Rehabilitation Institute	Hanumakonda	2014
b.	Bannu Charity Hospital	Eturnagaram, Mulugu	2015
c.	Bannu Garments	Hanumakonda	2016 (Completed)
d.	Bannu Free Health Camps & Mobile Clinics	Various Rural Locations	2015
e.	Bannu Community Health Awareness Programs	Various Rural Locations	2015
f.	HBBP – Helping Babies Breathe Programme	Various Locations	2016 & 2017 (Completed)
g.	Clinical Rotation to Medical Students	Various Locations	2016
h.	Donations to Underserved Hospitals	Various Locations	2016
i.	Bannu Childline 1098	Mulugu District	2020 (Completed)
j.	Arogya Sarathi – Free Mobile Cancer Screening Bus	Various Locations	2021
k.	“Nayi Kiran” – Drug De-addiction and Rehabilitation Programme	Hanumakonda	2022
l.	Kasturba Gandhi Seva Gram – Accommodation for Poor Patients’ Families	Warangal	2022
m.	Senior Citizen Day Care Center – Day Care for Elderly People	Hanumakonda	2024



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FUTURE GOALS OF BANNU

Expansion of BANNU hospital to a 50bed with Arogashri Empanelled. So that more super specialty can be rendered 2 acres land already purchased and planned to construct 30000sft building in Eturnagaram.

To set-up rehabilitation home for bed ridden elders

College for Special Education and Speech Therapy

To increase overall students strength into 500 with 1:7 teacher student ratio

A 250 Residential facility for special needs children and students

Construction of a 90000sft building in our 1 acre campus at our main campus in Warangal

BANNU NEUROHEALTH AND REHABILITATION CENTER

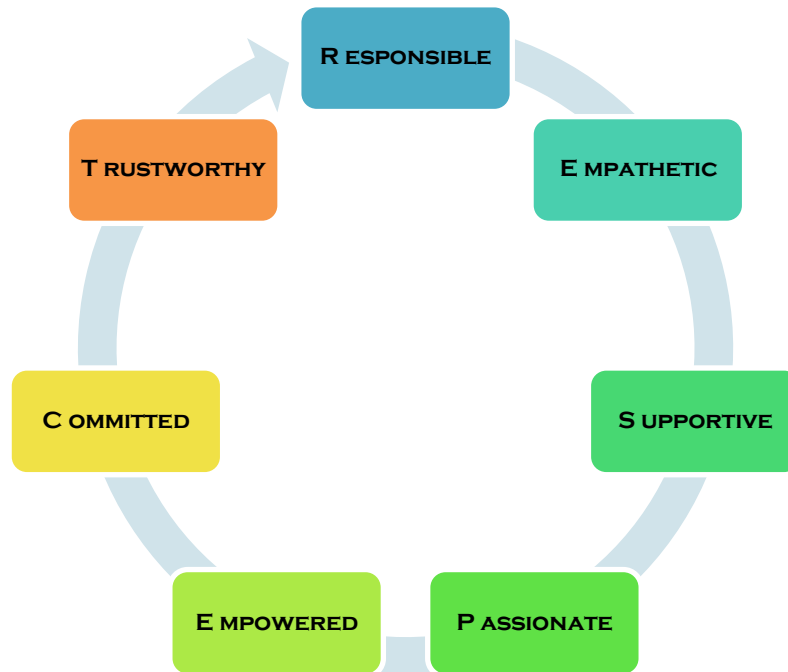


OBJECTIVES :

Established in DEC 13th 2013 with only one moto “ONE WORLD FOR EVERYONE”. To develop into a premier institute for children with neurological impairment, intellectual and developmental disabilities, autism and acquired brain injuries.

CORE VALUES:

Bannu cores values are based on the overarching value of Respect, which encompasses an array of attributes to which we are each committed:



MISSION & VISION

The Bannu Rehabilitation Team is composed of highly qualified professionals with extensive experience in enhancing functional outcomes. Our approach integrates clinical excellence, ongoing research, and personalized care, all aimed at helping individuals lead fulfilling and productive lives.

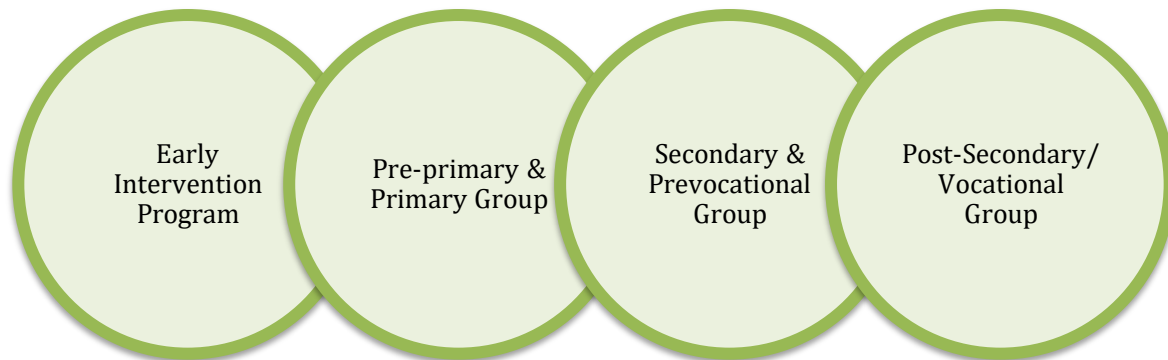
To ensure the highest quality of care, we employ a dedicated in-house team of specialists, including neuropsychologists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech and language pathologists, cognitive rehabilitation experts, and other key professionals.

Each student undergoes a comprehensive case history assessment, and where necessary, they are referred to multidisciplinary specialists such as physiotherapists, occupational therapists, speech pathologists, psychologists, psychiatrists, orthopedists, dentists, and others. Based on these evaluations, our special education faculty establishes both short-term and long-term goals, and creates a customized Individual Education Plan (IEP) to guide each student's training. Evidence-based practices and proven techniques are used to work towards these goals.

All assessments and progress are meticulously documented by the faculty and reviewed by the Vice Principal and academic staff at the **National Institute for Empowerment of Person with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID)**, Secunderabad. The performance and progress of each student are regularly evaluated and discussed with parents to ensure continuous support.

Our primary goal is to enable these special children to integrate into mainstream society and lead independent lives.

To meet the varied needs of our students, they are grouped into different levels based on their chronological age and mental capabilities, as assessed by our qualified special education faculty. These groups include:



Program Description

The Bannu Early Intervention Program offers specialized learning and therapeutic services to infants and toddlers, from birth to age 3, who exhibit developmental delays or have a medical condition that places them at risk for delays.

Daily Care and Grouping

Students are grouped based on their abilities and chronological age into different levels, including Early Intervention, Pre-primary and Primary, Pre-secondary and Secondary, and Pre-vocational and Vocational/Post-secondary training. Students in this model attend school regularly on a daily basis. The Pre-primary and Primary education caters to children aged 3-12.

The early childhood years are a critical window for children in the special education spectrum, as they can often make the greatest progress during this period, laying the groundwork for future development. To maximize this vital stage, we offer a comprehensive range of intense, evidence-based educational therapies. These proven, highly effective techniques help children enhance their abilities and reduce the symptoms associated with their disabilities.

Educational Model at Bannu Neuro Health

Our program offers:

- **Discrete Trial Instruction:** Three hours of daily instruction, combined with the social benefits of a school environment. Discrete trial instruction is part of Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA), a scientifically validated treatment method.
- **Family-Centered Support:** Daily written communication, weekly meetings, and optional home visits to keep families closely involved in the progress.
- **Low Teacher-to-Student Ratio:** Ensuring more personalized and effective learning experiences.
- **Individualized Instruction:** Effective teaching strategies are integrated into each child's tailored curriculum.

Services Offered

To accommodate the diverse schedules of families, Early Intervention services are available in the early morning, late afternoon, evening, and on weekends. Services include:

- Social play groups
- Physical, occupational, and speech therapy
- Sensory integration
- Behavior therapy
- Goal and objective development
- Social work support
- Individual and group counseling
- Support for transitioning to school

School Faculty

Starting with a team of 10 staff members, the program expanded to 24 members by the end of the first year. Currently, we have 33 full-time staff, including 10 special education teachers (certified by the Rehabilitation Council of India) with Bachelor's or 2 year Diploma degrees in special education, speech therapy, vocational rehabilitation, and related fields. We also have assistant educators.



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OUR SERVICES

PHYSIOTHERAPY & SENSORY PARK



LIFE SKILLS & VOCATIONAL TRAINING



AGRI-FARMING



COMPUTER LAB WITH E-LEARNING TOOL



CULTURAL ACTIVITIES



FREE DOOR TO DOOR TRANSPORTATION



NIMH OUTREACH CENTER



SURVEILLANCE WITH 12 SECURITY CAMERAS



SPEECH & BEHAVIORAL THERAPY



REGULAR FIELD TRIPS



REPUBLIC DAY PARADE - POLICE GROUNDS



PARTICIPATION IN CULTURAL ACTIVITIES



IMPACT

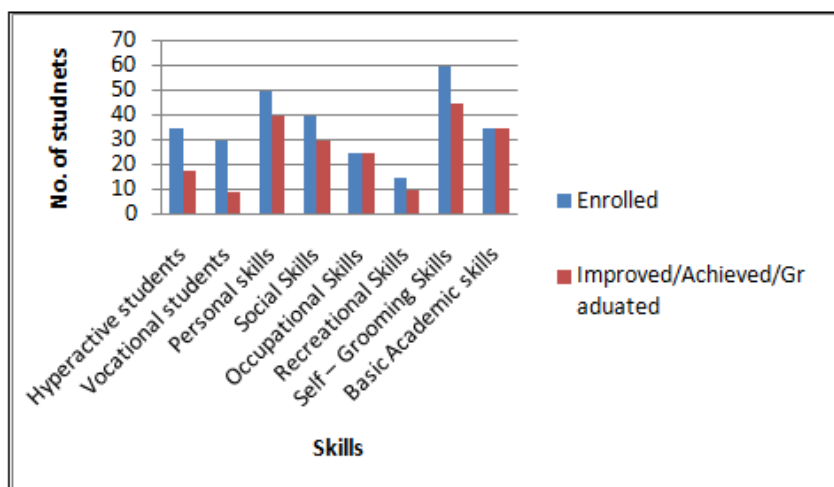
Statistics of the school and other services provided:

Particulars	No.
Students Enrolled	135
Average attendance per day	90-100
Parents meeting s organized	Every 2 nd and 4 th Saturday
Parents counseling sessions	11
Parent Participation	60%
Field trips	25
Outings	14
Health check-up camps	02
Niramaya Health Cards	25 cards yearly
Sadharam Certificates	60
Health cards	100
Bus pass	70 cards yearly
Train pass	30

5 Domains

Chart showing the domain chosen based on the child intellectual disability and their improvement/achievement in each domain.

	Enrolled	Improved/ Achieved/ Graduated
Hyperactive students	35	18
Vocational students	30	9
Personal skills	50	40
Social Skills	40	30
Occupational Skills	25	25
Recreational Skills	15	10
Self – Grooming Skills	60	45
Basic Academic skills	35	35



Students participation in cultural events & Sports:

Cultural Events participated this year	14
Disability Day	Since inception of School
Father Jarom Birthday Celebrations	Since inception of School
Independence day Parade	Since inception of School
26 th Day Parade in Police HO	Since inception of School
Disabled sports	Since inception of School
Vocational stalls	10

PARENTS MEETING & WORKSHOPS



Every 2nd and 4th Saturday one to one parents meetings are conducted as well as every quarter a parent meeting is organised along with counselling sessions and workshop.

BANNU GARMENTS - TAILORING UNIT

A Unit to support poor parents of Bannu students to be self-independent financially as recommended by NIMH and national trust for disabilities . Post-secondary students get training in various aspects of this tailoring procedures and manufacture sports cloths for other regular school students.



Employment

- 25 mothers trained
- 5 adults with intellectual disabilities trained and employed.
- 10,000 uniforms stitched & sold

GALLERY







