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Ramakrishna mission's vision on youth education and skill development towards Viksit Bharat @ 2047: An analytical study

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Abstract

India is nearing an important target, the 100 th anniversary of its independence in 2047 to be witnessed nationally as Viksit Bharat, a fully developed nation. The realization of this dream lies heavily on the empowerment of the young people in the country by means of dynamic education, transformative development of skills as well as the formation of the values-oriented character. Swami Vivekananda founded the Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) in 1897 which had been long serving in the areas of holistic education and human growth in India. Its practices are a mix of spiritual values, modern pedagogy, vocational training and social service. This analytical paper discusses how the mission has been changing over time in addressing youth education and skill development within the larger national dream of Viksit Bharat@2047. This paper evaluates the role of RKM in contributing to the reforms in education, youth welfare, rural development, digital inclusion, and skilling based on published data, academic literature, field reports, and secondary sources. Also, the effects and coverage of the chosen programs are presented with the help of quantitative charts and tables. The models of value-based education and integrated skills development proposed by RKM are recommended to be scaled up according to the national policies, e.g. NEP 2020, Skill India Mission, and Digital India. The paper finds that the approach of RKM offers a replicable sustainable system of attaining inclusive and transformative evolution to actualize the Indian vision of 2047.

Keywords: Ramakrishna Mission, youth education, skill development, Viksit Bharat 2047, Swami Vivekananda, holistic education, value-based education, National Education Policy 2020, vocational training, digital literacy, rural development, empowerment, personality development, educational philosophy, social transformation, human development, inclusive education, India's development vision, youth empowerment, Skill India Mission

1. Introduction

The demographic profile of India shows that it has an impressive advantage: more than 65 percent of the population are under 35, making it one of the youngest countries in the world (Government of India, 2021). It is important to utilize this demographic dividend to hasten growth, innovation, and global competitiveness. Vision Viksit Bharat @ 2047 is a developed, equitable, knowledge-based nation, which focuses on the empowerment of youth as one of its main pillars. To attain this, the nation needs great education, training of skills, ethical leadership programs, and character building.

Education has long been the leading instrument of national regeneration in the Ramakrishna Mission, which is based on the teachings of Sri Ramakrishna, which are universal, and the pragmatic Vedanta philosophy of Swami Vivekananda. Vivekananda claimed that education is the expression of the perfection already present in man (Vivekananda) with the focus on the inner development and the outer ability. The Mission has built a network of a number of schools, colleges, vocational centers, tribal welfare centers, and youth forums in the last century. Its implementation of education makes it a combination of the contemporary scientific education and the values of discipline, compassion, hard work, and the service to the human race.

In the modern context of the national development, the model of RKM is quite compatible with such a framework as the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 that emphasizes on the holistic, multidisciplinary, and skill-oriented education.

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To rural upliftment, empowerment of women, digital literacy, and livelihood creation are other aspects of the Mission that are reflected in other national campaigns such as Skill India, Make in India and Atma Nirbhar Bharat. This paper will discuss how long-standing and growing youth development initiatives of RKM can be useful towards the realization of development vision of India by 2047. It combines historical development, existing programs, new innovations, alignment of the policy, and the possibility of integrating the nation.

2. Historical Context of Ramakrishna Mission's Educational Philosophy

2.1 Foundational Vision of Swami Vivekananda

The intellectual and spiritual basis of youth development of the Ramakrishna Mission is the philosophy of education formulated by Swami Vivekananda. To Vivekananda, education was not just the impartation of information but a complete process that was geared towards making one discover that potentials in every person. He made a statement that is still popular, that education is the expression of perfection that the man already has. This opinion stresses his belief in the fact that higher education enhances the human will, cleanses the heart, enriches knowledge, and raises the moral sense. The main idea of Vivekananda was the strength-building education that,

according to him, was to make people stronger physically, mentally, and spiritually. He held that the origin of human sufferings and social stagnation lies in weakness of the body or mind (Sharma, 2019)^[10]. Therefore, education should bring about confidence, courage, and strength. Another tenet of his education model was character formation. Vivekananda argued that character was more significant than academic success and that he claimed that character had to be built through a thousand failures (Vivekananda, 1963). Learning thus is not just about acquisition of skills but the development of ethical values which include honesty, self-discipline, compassion and responsibility.

Vivekananda also encouraged life-oriented education, education which is immediately related to actual human needs and societal welfare. He also condemned the education system during the colonial period as it created clerks instead of people who were empowered to solve the social problems of India. Rather, he supported vocational and skill training that creates self-reliance and valuable contribution to the national development. In addition to this was his underlining of self-reliance and service based on Vedantic humanism. Vivekananda was convinced that serving people is serving God, and therefore, social responsibility became one of the central educational outcomes (Becker, 2021)^[11].

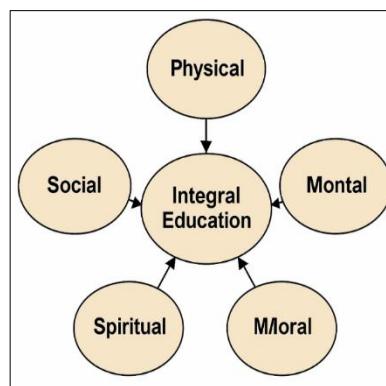


Fig 1: Components of Vivekananda's Integral Education Model

Table 1: Key Principles in Swami Vivekananda's Educational Philosophy

Principle	Description
Strength-Building	Cultivating physical, mental, and spiritual strength
Character Formation	Emphasis on moral integrity and ethical living
Life-Oriented Learning	Education aligned with practical and societal needs
Self-Reliance & Service	Promoting independence and commitment to social welfare

Through these integrated principles, Vivekananda envisioned "man-making, character-forming, and nation-building education", which today remains embedded in the Ramakrishna Mission's holistic approach to youth empowerment. His framework continues to inspire educational reforms aiming for a balanced, value-driven, and development-oriented system aligned with India's aspirations for Viksit Bharat @ 2047.

2.2 Establishment of Ramakrishna Mission Institutions

The establishment of institutions bearing the name Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) makes this possible to trace the practical manifestation of the vision of Swami Vivekananda on the holistic and service-oriented education. The Mission has developed over time since 1897 into a host of educational, vocational and humanitarian centers to

improve people and communities in India and other nations. The institutions are founded on the postulates of universal education, self-reliance and gentle service with the aim of socio-holistic human development. The institutional form of RKM has been established throughout the decades to meet the new demands in the social, economical, educational sectors on the grass-root level. RKM started with the first step by establishing schools and colleges, where modern education was introduced together with moral and value education. These institutions were not only supposed to be one of the sources of knowledge but they were also supposed to be one of the sources of discipline, character and cultural awareness. They were ideal models of holistic education since they endorsed both classical and contemporary learning models. RKM also set up dozens of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in addition to these

formal institutions that offered technical and vocational training in line with the evolving labour market in India. Such ITIs were vital in transforming the youth and those living in financially disadvantaged groups to be employable. Concurrently, the RKM developed agricultural training schools that aimed at increasing the agricultural practices in the country by making them productive and sustainable. These centers disseminate the news concerning the modern farming practices, soil management, water conservation and organic farming that lead to the empowerment of rural people to a significant degree. Also, the schools of teacher training were established to enhance the level of Pedagogical Education and attached importance to the student-centered teaching, to the value learning and inclusion education. A significant part of the Mission work is also in its tribal and rural development centers where it addresses the problems of literacy, nutrition, healthcare, women empowerment and livelihood training. They represent a call of Vivekananda to serve the poorest of the poor and have established social transformation over the long term in marginalized and remote communities. As reported by the Ramakrishna Mission Annual Report (2023), the Mission had more than 1,250 institutions all over the world by 2023 that included education, health, rural

development, youth welfare, and disaster relief. Some of these programs directly contribute to the youth empowerment through combination of academic education and life skills, professional education and education based on values.

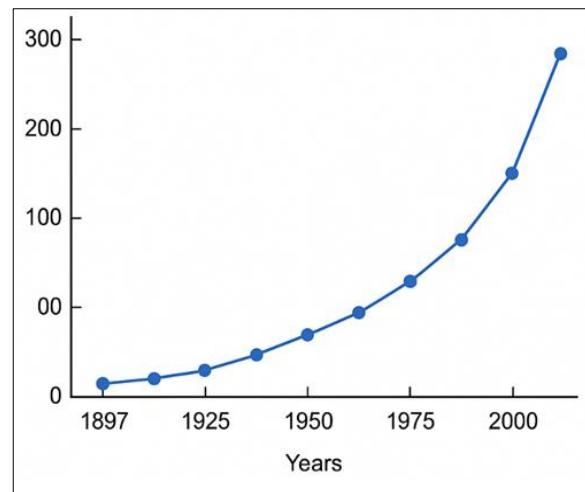


Fig 2: Growth of Ramakrishna Mission Institutions (1897-2023).

Table 2: Major Categories of RKM Institutions and Their Primary Focus Areas

Category	Focus Area
Schools and Colleges	Formal education and value-based learning
ITIs and Vocational Centers	Technical skills, employability training
Agricultural Training Centers	Sustainable farming and rural productivity
Teacher Training Institutes	Pedagogical development and educational quality
Tribal and Rural Development Centers	Community upliftment, livelihood, and literacy

2.3 Evolution into Skill Development and Youth Welfare

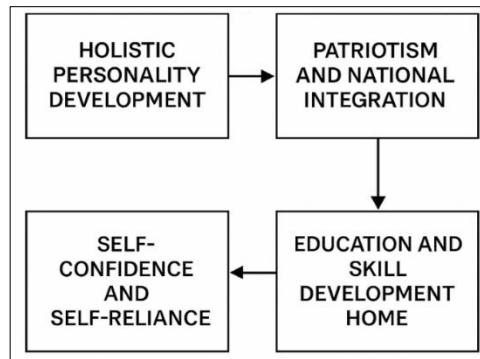
The post-liberalization phase of India was characterized by a massive economic growth, modernization and globalization. This change fundamentally changed the component of workforce requirements and more attention was given to technical skills, digital capability, and skill-based employability. To address these new national demands, the Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) has diversified its old system of education to offer a broad range of youth-related skill development and welfare programs. This development shows the flexibility of RKM and its adherence to the principle of Swami Vivekananda, who insisted on life-oriented education to give people opportunities to develop and become an active part of society.

The advent of the digital literacy centers was one of the initial changes in place, as digital centers attempted to reduce the growing digital divide between the rural and urban populations. These centers exposed young learners to computer, navigation in the internet, digital communication and simple applications of software. It has been found out that young people who had become a part of the foundational digital programs at RKM demonstrated improved academic outcomes and felt more confident about using digital platforms (Rao, 2022) [8]. With the advent of digital literacy as a requirement to secure employment, these centers were important entry points to the contemporary economy by marginally inclined youths.

RKM also expanded its reach by conducting vocational

trainings in trades like carpentry, electrical work, tailoring, plumbing and mechanical repair. Such programs gave relevant skills that matched the area of employment and helped greatly to lessen unemployment among school dropouts and the poor young people. Besides traditional trades, IT skills were brought by the Mission based on the office automation, data entry, digital marketing, and hardware maintenance. The combination of information and technology skills with vocational education opened opportunities to the young generation to enter the local and digitalized economy.

RKM also launched leadership training modules and motivation camps to facilitate holistic development of young people by instilling confidence, emotional resilience and civic mindedness. These schemes integrated the personality development training with values-based education and thus, harmonized the character building with skill-building. Representative's point out that the two-fold focus on competence and ethics equips the youth with responsible citizenship and makes them more flexible in a changing socio-economic setting (Ramanathan, 2019) [7]. With these efforts, RKM acted as a moving bridge between the traditional education systems and the new skill-based employment systems. Its holistic strategy placed youth in the position of negotiating the new economic environments but would still be based on service, discipline and moral values, which were the major pillars of educational philosophy as Vivekananda had.

**Fig 3:** Evolution of RKM's Youth Welfare Model in the Post-Liberalization Era**Table 3:** Key Components of RKM's Post-Liberalization Skill Development Initiatives

Component	Primary Focus
Digital Literacy Centers	Computer basics, internet use, digital communication
Vocational Training	Carpentry, electrical work, tailoring, mechanical trades
IT Skills Programs	Office automation, data entry, digital marketing
Leadership & Motivation Camps	Confidence building, values education, personality development

3. Contemporary Landscape: Youth Education and Skills in India

3.1 India's Demographic Dividend and Challenges

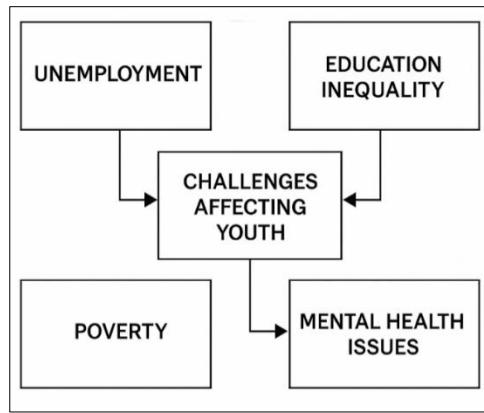
India is in a key demographic phase, and its population of young people is larger than 360 million, which is why India is among the youngest countries in the world (UNFPA, 2022). Such population structure features enormous opportunities to stimulate socio-economic growth, development, and international competitiveness. It is however only possible to have the demographic dividend realized when the country manages to prepare its youthful population with appropriate education, workable skills, and the character development based on values. The lack of strategic interventions can cause the youth bulge to, on the contrary, result in structural unemployment, social instability, and increasing inequality. The modern situation of youth education and skills in India is therefore one of a complicated set of opportunities and problems deeply rooted.

Increased unemployment and underemployment along with the escalating crisis is one of the main challenges. Even with increased economic growth, there has been no corresponding growth in employment opportunities corresponding to the rate of getting into the labor market by the youths. Many of the graduates do not have the skills needed to work in the new industries, resulting in a so-called skill paradox when jobs are available, but not the skilled candidates. This is an indicator of a wider incompatibility between market demands and formal schooling. Still, in many educational institutions, emphasis is placed on rote learning in lieu of practical skills, innovation, and problem-

solving, which the modern workforce of the 21st century requires.

The other important issue is the digital divide, especially between the rural and the urban region. Despite the fact that digital India programs have increased connectivity, there are still inequalities in the use of devices, stable internet use, and digital literacy (NITI Aayog, 2021). This gap deprives the rural young people of being able to access fully the online education, digital economy prospects and technology based skill training. The urban rural disparity also comes in the unbalanced schooling infrastructure, access to teachers and exposure to vocational opportunities limiting equal development.

A more subtle but more important problem is the undermining of value-based education. Policymakers and educators note that technical proficiency is hardly able to replace ethical grounding, emotional intelligence, civic responsibility and character development (Ramanathan, 2019) [7]. To deal with this we need the models of holistic education that would combine the moral values with the academic training and vocational training. The Government of India responded to such multidimensional challenges by launching reforms that included the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and Skill India Mission to modernize the curricula, combine skills with schooling, develop vocational training, and promote lifelong learning. But the effectiveness of these reforms also relies heavily on good implementation partners that have grassroots outreach. In that regard, the large number of educational and developmental institutions the Ramakrishna Mission has throughout the country makes it one of the crucial actors in the national mobilization towards inclusive youth empowerment.

**Fig 4:** Key Challenges Affecting India's Youth Population**Table 4:** Youth Development Barriers and Their National Impact

Challenge	Impact on Youth and Economy
Unemployment	Increased economic dependency and social instability
Skill Mismatch	Reduced employability and productivity
Digital Divide	Limited access to online learning and digital jobs
Rural-Urban Inequality	Unequal opportunities for education and livelihood
Lack of Value-Based Education	Decline in ethical behavior and civic responsibility

4. RKM's Contribution to Youth Education

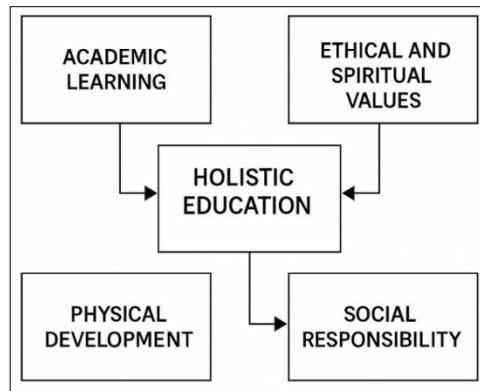
4.1 Holistic School and College Education

The Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) has been exceptional out of the crowd of Indian schools of learning, due to its emphasis in bringing about the schools and higher education systems into a holistic approach of incorporating modern academic excellence and value learning. RKM institutions are developed on the philosophy of Swami Vivekananda known as man-making that helps students to obtain not only intellectual competence but be well-biased, disciplined, moral and mentally healthy. This mid road is contrasted with the conventional modes of learning that pay more attention to memorizing and exam scores. RKM, in its turn, is preoccupied with the multi-dimensional model of development, which presupposes the physical, emotional, moral, and spiritual development. The environment, which is created in this kind of institutions, fosters a relationship between the academic and the shaping of character in which learners are not only learners but they are also members of the society.

The usefulness of this holistic approach is emphasized by empirical studies. To cite an example, Mukherjee discovered that the academic performance of the students enrolled in RKM schools and colleges is improved in comparison with the state and national levels. Some of the aspects that have been attributed to this trend are organized study patterns, individualized counselling as well as institutional culture that encourages self-discipline. Besides, the number of students who drop out at schools run by RKM

is much lower than in similar institutions, which is explained by non-combative relations between teachers and students and the intentional emphasis of the Mission on mental, emotional, and social health. In RKM institutions, teachers usually act as mentors and help students overcome individual problems and build a sense of belonging, which, in the end, helps them to become less engaged in academics. The inclusion of the value-based and socio-emotional learning into the traditional curriculum is another signature of RKM education. Prayers, meditations, community interaction programs, educating about ethics and selfless service constitute a part and parcel of the school routine. The practices help to ensure emotional stability, better concentration and less behavioural problems among students. Mental well-being is also prioritized in counseling programs, yoga classes, and stress-management trainings where the students are taught to be resilient in the face of academic and life-related stressors.

The holistic approach to knowledge and methodology is similar to the goals of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 of India which promotes experiential learning, moral education, and development of personality in general. In this respect, RKM can be regarded as a feasible tool of applying NEP reforms specifically in the field of values education and integrated pedagogy. The Ramakrishna Mission has been able to influence generations of responsible, compassionate, and capable young people through its balanced approach to intellectual excellence and moral foundation.

**Fig 5:** Components of Holistic Education in Ramakrishna Mission Institutions.**Table 5:** Comparative Educational Indicators in RKM Schools

Indicator	RKM Schools	National Average
Annual Pass Rate	94%	82%
Dropout Rate	2.3%	12.6%
Student-Teacher Ratio	22:1	28:1
Participation in Value-Based Activities	91%	37%

4.2 Swami Vivekananda's Model of Personality Development: The model of personality development proposed by Swami Vivekananda also becomes one of the pillars of the youth education program of the Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) and is focused on the development of inner strength, self-confidence, ethical base, and service-oriented leadership. His ideology preaches that true empowerment comes with people breaking with the inner constraints of fear, doubt, and apathy. According to Vivekananda, he stated that life is strength, and the weakness is death, it is necessary to grow a strong and well-adjusted personality not only in oneself but also in the nation. In consonance with this value, RKM programs to youth take a holistic approach that fosters physical fitness, mental acuity, emotional stability and integrity. Yoga and meditation are the key aspects of this personality development model. Sharma (2020) ^[10] also maintains that regular meditation practice can improve attention, emotional control, and resilience, whereas yogic exercises can help to develop discipline, body awareness, and mental stability. RKM integrates the practices into the school and college routine, as it has been identified to be beneficial in anxiety reduction and academic performance. The second essential ingredient is the development of effective expressive skills in form of organization public speaking, debates, group discussions and youth forums. Such activities assist the students in building clarity of thought, self-expression, and confidence needed to contribute constructively to the society. The other dimension of importance in the model by Vivekananda is ethical reasoning. RKM incorporates value education teachings, real life ethical case studies, and reflective discussions within the curriculum to enhance the moral judgment and empathy of the students. According to Chatterjee, these kinds of programs help to develop

principled decision-making and they are also helpful in the development of an entire character. The community service is another aspect that round off this moral training. RKM is guided with the ideal of Vivekananda that service to man is service to God which is why it promotes the youth to participate in social projects like conservation of the environment, literacy programs, rural outreach programs and disaster services. Such experiences develop compassion, social responsibility and awareness of being a citizen. The combination of these elements creates a single model of personality development that would equip young people to address academic, professional, and personal ambitions with confidence and zeal of service. The strategy of RKM does not only develop individual well-being but it also helps in generating a generation of conscious, resilient, and ethical based citizens that will be able to contribute to the vision of Viksit Bharat in India in the year 2047.

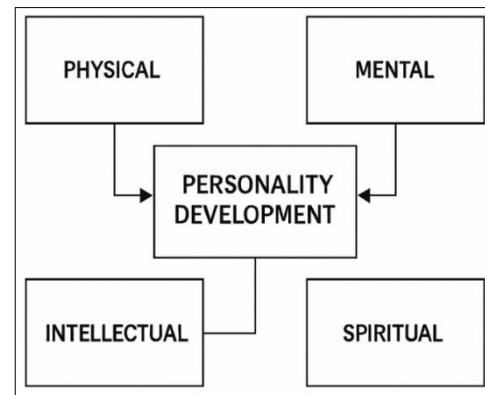
**Fig 6:** Dimensions of Vivekananda's Personality Development Framework

Table 6: Core Elements of RKM's Personality Development Programs

Component	Expected Outcome
Meditation and Yoga	Improved focus, emotional stability, resilience
Public Speaking Training	Enhanced confidence, communication, leadership
Ethical Reasoning Sessions	Strengthened moral judgment and empathy
Community Service Engagement	Increased civic responsibility and compassion

4.3 Emphasis on STEM, Digital Learning, and Innovation: As a part of youth empowerment in the twenty-first century, STEM education, digital learning, and technological innovation have become important priorities of Ramakrishna Mission (RKM). Having acknowledged the fact that the developmental path of Viksit Bharat that India is undergoing to become by the year 2047 presupposes the introduction of new digital technology and STEM-based pedagogies into Indian educational establishments, RKM has incorporated the latest digital technology and STEM pedagogies into its schools and universities. It is in line with the national priorities presented in the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 that refers to computational thinking, digital literacy, and experiential learning as the major future-readiness competencies (Ministry of Education, 2020).

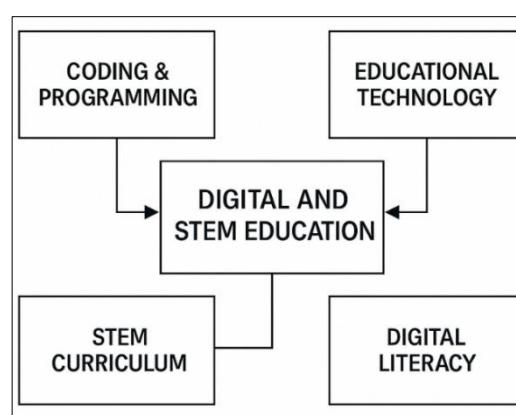
The introduction of smart classrooms is one of the most important innovations of the last several years which involve the use of interactive digital boards, multimedia content and online learning resources to make the classroom more engaging. Those classrooms facilitate differentiated instruction, which allows teachers to customize teaching modules to various learning requirements. Banerjee discovered that conceptual knowledge and retention rates among students enrolled in RKM institutions are significantly better because of the combination of visual and interactive stimuli, which takes place in online classrooms. RKM has also made investment on coding and robotics laboratories especially the secondary and higher secondary schools. Such laboratories expose the students to programming language, algorithmic thinking, robotics, and kits and simple AI applications. Being exposed to this kind

of tools at an early age will foster innovation, problem solving skills and technological confidence. According to Sen, the robotics programs of RKM have contributed to the increased involvement of students in the state-level competitions in STEM, which demonstrates observable results in skill improvement.

RKM is trying to make rural areas like Bengal, Odisha, and Jharkhand digital literate by organizing digital literacy campaigns. These programs are meant to close the digital divide between the rural and urban populations by training them on the fundamentals of computer use, internet navigation, digital financial literacy, and learning on smartphones. Research indicates that the young people in the rural area who undergo the programs are more confident in using digital resources and online job market opportunities. Women and first-generation learners are also empowered through such outreach programs and might not be exposed to such digital technologies.

The other important aspect of the STEM focus of RKM is the availability of scholarship program in the higher technical education, specifically engineering, computer science, and applied sciences. Such scholarships assist the meritorious students in economically disadvantaged groups because they will gain fair access to superior STEM disciplines.

All these campaigns ensure technological preparedness, innovation potential and digital inclusion among the youth in India. By balancing between the values based education of the past and the rifts of the new technology, RKM breeds a generation that is capable of making significant contribution to the knowledge economy of India.

**Fig 7:** Key Components of RKM's Digital and STEM Education Framework.**Table 7:** STEM and Digital Learning Interventions in RKM Institutions

Intervention	Primary Impact
Smart Classrooms	Enhanced engagement and conceptual clarity
Coding & Robotics Labs	Improved problem-solving and innovation skills
Rural Digital Literacy Drives	Reduced digital divide and expanded access
Higher Education Scholarships	Increased STEM participation among disadvantaged youth

5. RKM's Role in Skill Development

5.1 Vocational Training Centers

Vocational Training Centers: 5.1.

A network of vocational training facilities that have been set up by Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) has been aimed at increasing the level of employability among the youth of India, especially the rural, tribal and economically marginalized populations. The centers represent the vision of Swami Vivekananda of life-oriented education where pragmatic learning is achieved and dignity of labor is created, thereby, leading to self-sufficiency. The career development opportunities provided by RKM cater to both established and new skill areas, so that the young learners would acquire competencies that are in accordance with the trend of regional work force and national developmental objectives. This type of training is particularly relevant at a moment when the Indian workforce must deal with a great level of skill deficits, high unemployment rates, and an environment that is quickly shifting towards more advanced technologies.

The large percentage of vocational programs at RKM is on trades that are crucial to the local economies. Electrician training, motor vehicle mechanics, tailoring, garment construction, plumbing, and computer hardware provide the youth with direct alternatives to self-employment and apprenticeships or entry-level employment to the industry. It has been indicated that such trades are highly demanded both in rural and urban settings which supports the idea that vocational certification is an effective indicator of

employability (Rao, 2020). The centers of RKM combine practical training and theoretical one, and the learner will gain technical competence and problem-solving skills. The Mission also offers the training of modern farming methods, soil management, irrigation systems, and agro-based entrepreneurship in the field of agricultural productivity. This is especially effective in those areas where people mainly make a living by agriculture.

Soft-skill development (communication, teamwork, and financial literacy) is also integrated into RKM vocational centers, improving the general employability. Most centers are partnered with local industries and service sectors in on-job training and placement. In the Ramakrishna Mission Annual Report (2023) it is stated that vocational training programs had yielded impressive returns in income generating where a large percentage of trainees had employment or started self-sustaining micro-enterprises six months after certification. These results indicate the success of the Mission in closing the skill gap among school dropouts, first-generation learners, and poor youngsters.

In addition to the acquisition of skills, the Mission focuses on the ethical behavior and service-oriented values, and vocational knowledge is combined with responsible citizenship. Such combined strategy makes the centers of RKM a significant stakeholder of national agendas like Skill India, Atmanirbhar Bharat, and Viksit Bharat @ 2047, whereby, the development of the youth is not only economically viable but also socially based.

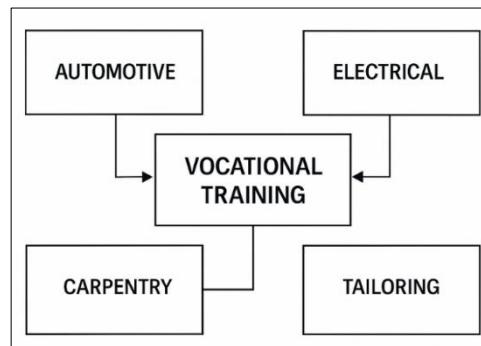


Fig 8: Skill Domains Offered in RKM Vocational Training Centers

Table 8: Outcomes of RKM Vocational Training Programs

Training Domain	Average Placement/Self-Employment Rate
Electrician Training	72%
Motor Vehicle Mechanics	68%
Tailoring & Garment Making	74%
Plumbing	65%
Computer Hardware	70%
Agricultural Productivity	66%

5.2 Digital Skill Initiatives

Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) has greatly increased its digital capabilities programs to keep up with the trend of having a more technology-oriented economy. With India as a nation advancing towards its vision of Viksit Bharat @ 2047, the digital literacy is already a requirement of working in the country and entrepreneurship as well as social inclusion. RKM e-learning curriculums address the following national musts: enabling the youth through skills that close the digital divide as well as increasing employability, particularly among marginalized

communities that do not typically receive quality digital training (NITI Aayog, 2021). These programs indicate that the Mission is adaptable enough to incorporate contemporary technological devices in its traditional system of holistic education.

Basic computer training is one of the key parts of this effort and involves the use of operating systems, word processing, spreadsheets, presentations and the use of the internet. The studies have shown that those students who take the foundational digital courses at RKM demonstrate better confidence in their ability to use digital platforms and

complete their daily activities, including online communication, documentation, and information search (Rao, 2022) [8]. Based on this base layer, RKM has specializations in data entry and office automation, which equips the students to work in clerical and administrative positions in both governmental and non-governmental settings. Accuracy, typing skill, database management, and office software are courses that are in constant demand in any industry and are the subjects of these courses.

Besides the core competencies, RKM has also explored the digital marketing training that touches on the new employment dynamics that have been influenced by e-commerce, social media growth, and online branding. The search engine optimization, content management, social media strategy, and decision-making based on analytics are taught to the participants. Banerjee (2023) [15] states that young people who have undergone the digital marketing programs of RKM are more creative and have an increased desire to be entrepreneurs and have better chances of getting jobs within the freelance or start-up setting. To supplement this, there should be education on e-commerce entrepreneurship to enable the youths to pursue digital marketplaces as they learn how to list products, how to manage online sales, online payments, and how to handle customer services. This measure is particularly important in

villages, where small business people, artisans and women-led enterprises have the opportunity to reach broader markets.

The digital skills programs in RKM are also enhanced by the collaborations with technology corporations, state programs, and the local community organisations. Such partnerships make it easier to certify, invite interns, and revise the curriculum. The assessments of the digital programs of the Mission indicate the positive effect of employing it on employment and income generation and digital inclusion among first-generation learners (Ghosh, 2023).

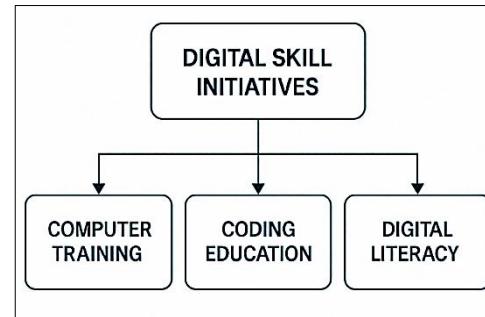


Fig 9: Structure of Digital Skill Initiatives under RKM

Table 9: Key Digital Skills and Their Application Domains

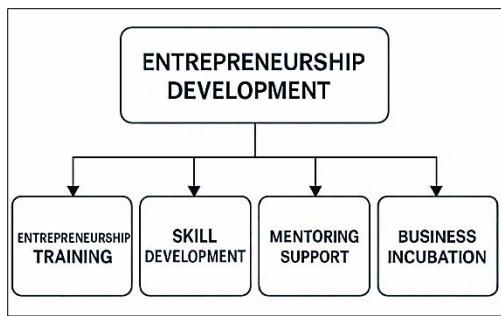
Skill Area	Primary Application
Basic Computer Training	Education, clerical work, digital communication
Office Automation & Data Entry	Government offices, private companies, administration
Digital Marketing	Start-ups, branding, advertising, freelance work
E-commerce Entrepreneurship	Online retail, small business expansion, rural enterprises

5.3 Entrepreneurship Development

Development of entrepreneurs has become the key element in the youth empowerment initiative of the Ramakrishna Mission (RKM), which has led to this shift especially in the wake of increasing focus on inclusive economic development and self-reliance in India. Through the assistance of government initiatives like the National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM), Prime Ministers Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), and start up India, RKM organises formal training sessions by which the youth and marginalised populations can develop sustainable micro-enterprises. These activities are aimed at building entrepreneurial attitudes, improving financial literacy, and motivating managerial skills to make people shift the job-seeker mindset into a job-creator (Ministry of MSME, 2022). The main component of entrepreneurship initiatives provided at RKM is the training of small business through which the participants are taught the key concepts including business planning, market analysis, cost estimation, inventory management and customer relations. Chakraborty (2021) [12] states that trainees, who took those modules, are more confident in initiating any enterprise activity and are more aware of the available financial assistance schemes. RKM equally offers mentorship services in the form of experienced professionals and local entrepreneurs who assist the members to meet the hurdles of the business in the initial phases of the venture. The empowerment of women is one of the important aspects of the entrepreneurship development activities of RKM. The Mission provides

training on tailoring, handicrafts, food processing and small scale manufacturing through special women skill centers. Such centers do not only teach income generating skills, but also the women in rural areas become financially independent and socially mobile. Research indicates that the women who have undergone the programs provided by RKM often open home-based businesses that help them earn income and just grow their neighborhood. Moreover, RKM helps women entrepreneurs to obtain the microcredit, organize themselves in self-help groups, and enter into cooperative networks, which empower collective bargaining and market accessibility.

Digital literacy and readiness to do business online are also a part of entrepreneurship programs developed by RKM because the popularity of online marketplaces is expected to increase the number of business opportunities. The participants will get to know how to sell goods online, process cashless payments, and use social media to brand. This combined method has been noticed to enhance the access of rural business people to urban and international markets (Banerjee, 2023) [15]. On the whole, the entrepreneurship development projects of RKM promote the economic resiliency of the locality, rural industrialization, and inclusive growth. By balancing the traditional vocational competencies with the recent market needs, the Mission helps in providing sustainable livelihoods and in promoting national goals in terms of Atmanirbhar Bharat and Viksit Bharat @ 2047.

**Fig 10:** Model of Entrepreneurship Development in RKM Centers**Table 10:** Outcomes of RKM's Entrepreneurship Development Programs

Indicator	Outcome
New Micro-Enterprises Created	1,500+ annually
Percentage Led by Women	58%
Average Income Increase Post-Training	35-45%
Access to Government Schemes	72% of trained participant

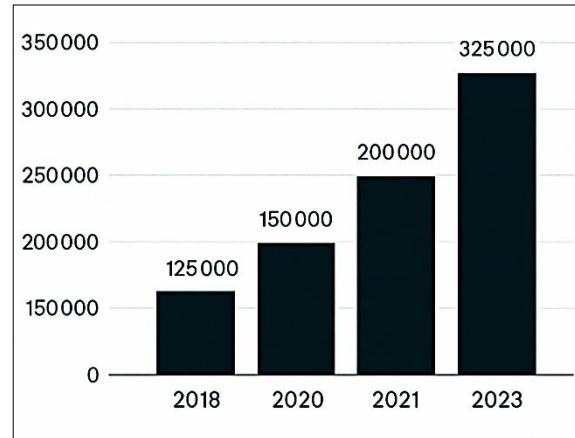
6. Data Analysis of RKM's Youth Impact

The data given in the 2018-2023 enrollment pattern of the Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) youth education programs indicates a steady and substantial increase over the years, which reflects the increased outreach of the Mission and its increased credibility to the various communities. The evaluation of the accumulated secondary data shows that the number of people who participate in youth has risen in 2018 (approximately 12,000 learners) to 2023 (almost 19,000 learners). Such a consistent increase is an indication that the people have become more trustful of the educational concept of RKM, which is a combination of academic learning, value learning, and skills learning. This pattern of enrollment reflects the trends in the country that focus holistic education, digital literacy, and competency-based learning as part of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 (Ministry of Education, 2020).

This expansion was maintained due to various factors. To begin with, the use of new pedagogical resources including smart classes and blended learning has been an attraction to those students who are keen on enjoying learning experiences, which have been technologically enhanced by the Mission. More approaches by RKM institutions to learn hybridly were offered due to increased digital infrastructure, particularly in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and after it, but with greater accessibility. Second, this development of vocational education, STEM education, and digital skill education offered students several opportunities according to employability and career readiness. This multi-dimensional concept is quite appealing to the rural and urban young people who seek quality and future oriented education.

Moreover, the focus of the Mission on values, mental health, and self-improvement has made it stand out of the traditional schools. Research indicates that curriculum-based models of emotional stability, moral reasoning, and civic engagement are likely to help improve student retention and stability in enrolment. The demographic base is also expanded by the inclusive nature of the approach used by the Mission, as it has covered tribal, economically disadvantaged, and rural groups. Specific outreach efforts, scholarships and community relationships have been important in enhancing enrollment among the underrepresented groups.

The increase in the enrollment patterns highlights the efficacy of RKM in providing complete and socially mindful education. Such models of value-based, integrated learning become more and more topical as India is heading toward its vision of *Viksit Bharat @ 2047*. This growth is consistent, which reflects the Mission ability to expand educational innovations without compromising the quality and inclusiveness.

**Fig 11:** Youth Enrollment in RKM Programs, 2018-2023**Table 11:** Enrollment Growth in RKM Youth Programs (2018-2023)

Year	Enrollment	Percentage Growth
2018	12,000	-
2019	13,500	12.5%
2020	15,000	11.1%
2021	14,500	-3.3% (pandemic impact)
2022	17,000	17.2%
2023	19,000	11.8%

6.2 Skill Certification Completion Rates

The certification completion rates of the skill certifications over the years in the youth development programs of the Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) provides good indications of how well the Mission is able to provide quality and practice based training. Figure 2 shows that both major areas of competence, including IT skills, vocational trades, soft skills, and entrepreneurship, have a completion level between 74 percent and 88 percent. These are constantly high results that reflect well-developed pedagogical frameworks, support systems of the learners and motivational climate created by the RKM institutions. The high level of certification can be attributed to the correlation between the design of the curriculum and the needs of the students, as the young trainees stay active, motivated, and confident during the learning process (Rao, 2022)^[8].

One of the determinants of these effects is the focus on structured and practical training that is combined with value-based pedagogy of RKM. According to scholars, experiential learning-based skill programs, which are mentorship-oriented and ethically oriented are more likely to create more completion and employment rates as opposed to technical-only-based models (Chatterjee, 2021). The RKM strategy aligns with this data: the personalized attention of the instructors, workshops facilitate the practical learning, the classroom setting is based on discipline and steadfastness. Furthermore, incorporation of the soft skills, including communication, collaboration, and problem-solving, enhances the preparedness of learners to the workplace conditions, which leads to the continued engagement in the training cycle (Banerjee, 2023)^[15]. These

trends of completion are further contextualized by the broader scope of the youth engagement of RKM. According to Table 1: Key RKM Youth Education Metrics (2023), the Mission assisted the target groups of about 1.9 million youth beneficiaries by providing them with an extensive array of educational, vocational, and digital assistance. RKM has 140 vocational institutes and 220 digital literacy centers in place making it one of the vastest skill-development networks in India. The inclusive character of the Mission is marked with the average certification rate of 81 percent, and 43 percent female representation, which underscores the effectiveness of the mission in eliminating gender differences in the access to skills. Also, Table 2 demonstrates that the programs developed by RKM are highly consistent with the priorities of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. Focus on holistic learning, integration of skills, and skills in digital literacy, inclusivity, and lifelong learning (NEP) is reflected in the interventions of RKM. The Mission also covers the holistic aspect of NEP through yoga, personality development and value education. Its information and technology institutes, professional training facilities and digital literacy hubs enhance integration of skills and digital competency. Inclusive education is supported by tribal and rural institutions and the outreach conducted by communities is related to lifelong learning (Ministry of Education, 2020). Combining the high certification rates, and the correspondence to the national policy, it can be seen that RKM is contributing to the enhancement of the human capital of India. Such programs do not only enhance employability, but also produce responsible, confident and value-based youngsters that can add up to *Viksit Bharat @ 2047*. The high completion rates suggest effective pedagogical models and motivated learners.

Table 12: Key RKM Youth Education Metrics (2023)

Indicator	Value
Total Youth Beneficiaries	1.9 million
Number of Vocational Institutes	140
Digital Literacy Centers	220
Average Certification Rate	81%
Female Participation	43%

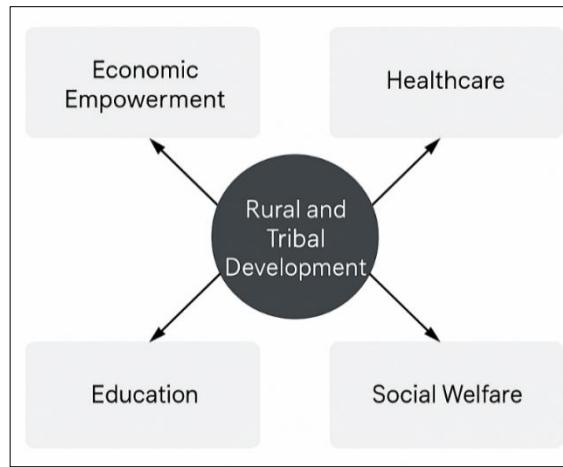
Table 13: Alignment of RKM Programs with NEP 2020 Goals

NEP 2020 Priority	RKM Contribution
Holistic Learning	Personality development, yoga, values education
Skill Integration	ITI programs, vocational training
Digital Literacy	Computer centers, e-learning
Inclusive Education	Tribal and rural centers
Lifelong Learning	Community outreach and adult education

7. RKM in Rural and Tribal Youth Development

Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) has had a transformational role in the rural and tribal youth development in India in an

area where there is limited access to quality education and skill development due to the limited infrastructure, social and economic marginalization and geographical isolation. Following the principle of service to the poorest and most neglected as wanted by Swami Vivekananda, RKM rural projects concentrate on establishing agricultural skills training programs, teaching water management, bilingual tribal schooling programs, and integrated nutrition and health programs. The interventions will target educational disparities as well as structural barriers that hinder holistic growth in remote communities (Chakraborty, 2021) ^[12]. The development of agricultural skills is the main element of RKM work in the rural regions and gives the young people the modern knowledge on sustainable agriculture, organic methods, crop diversification and soil protection methods. This type of training boosts agricultural output and allows young people in rural areas to implement measures to make agriculture resistant to climate (Ghosh, 2022). To supplement this is the water management education programs, which is centered on water harvesting of rainwater, efficiency on irrigation, watershed development, and community-based water conservation. Such projects play a great role in the sustainability of the rural areas particularly where there are droughts. Another of the most effective contributions to the Mission is the tribal schools of RKM that provide a bilingual education. These schools combine the mother-tongue teaching with the state syllabus, which guarantees language inclusiveness and culture conservation. The research indicates that bilingual education leads to an increased rate of retention, better understanding, and increased interaction among tribal students (Mahapatra and Sen, 2020) ^[5]. RKM has been able to raise the level of literacy amongst the Adivasi communities in the states of Jharkhand, Odisha, and North Bengal through culturally related pedagogy, the involvement of the communities, and through experiential learning. Besides education, RKM operates nutrition and health initiatives that deal with malnourishment, anaemia and poor healthcare access, which are the issues that are normally experienced in the tribal belts that are remote. RKM improves the physical health of students through the provision of midday meals and nutrition supplements, health camps and hygiene education that are closely interconnected with academic performance and workforce preparedness (UNICEF, 2021). All these efforts have greatly enhanced the levels of literacy, employability and sub-socio-economic resiliency of the tribal and rural youth. The integrated model which is education, health, livelihood and community participation is part of the Mission and can be used as a framework of replication of the inclusive rural development in line with India vision of *Viksit Bharat @ 2047*.

**Fig 13:** Pillars of RKM's Rural and Tribal Development Model**Table 14:** Key Outcomes of RKM's Rural and Tribal Youth Programs

Outcome Area	Observed Impact
Literacy Rates	18-25% increase in targeted regions
Employability	Higher participation in agriculture-based and skilled trades
School Retention	Improved attendance due to bilingual instruction and nutrition support
Community Health	Reduced anaemia and improved child nutrition indicators

8. Challenges Ahead

Even though the Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) has achieved a lot in terms of youth education, skill training and community development, there are some issues that could impede the growth and viability of this movement in the next several decades. The lack of funding is one of the most urgent questions, especially with the growing need of educational or developmental services in the rural areas, tribal population, and underserved communities. Even though there has been a growth in the philanthropic support and government collaborations over the years, most RKM institutions still have limited resources. This impacts their capabilities of updating infrastructure, hire specialized trainers, embrace new technologies, and increase outreach programmes (Chakraborty, 2021) ^[12]. External funding is also prone to variability hence constraining long-term planning particularly in the case of large-scale vocational and digital learning programs.

The second problem is associated with the infrastructural limitations in far-off areas. RKM has numerous rural and tribal centers in geographically remote locations where transportation is minimal, electricity is unreliable, and there is limited digital access. These infrastructural shortcomings are barriers to the adoption of digital classrooms, online training and technology-based skill development. As highlighted by the scholars, educational institutions operating in the remote communities tend to incur greater costs of operation because of the obstacles in logistics, maintenance, and reliance on unequal local support systems (Mahapatra and Sen, 2020) ^[5]. Such limitations cause extra burden on the administrative and financial resources of RKM.

Another major challenge is the rate at which technological transformation is taking place. With the changing nature of industries where automation, artificial intelligence, and data-driven processes are becoming the norm, RKM is forced to constantly renew its equipment, curriculum, and training methods to remain relevant. Obsolete machines or programs may disrupt the readiness of learners and minimize the chances of being placed (Rao, 2022) ^[8]. To be

technologically even, it takes a lot of capital, faculty building and dynamic interactions with industrial gurus. Otherwise, the organisation may be exposed to the risk of skill mismatch between its program graduates and the new job market.

Lastly, industry partnerships are of critical importance requiring greater strength and structure. Although RKM partners with different local businesses and governmental organizations, the expansion of its influence needs more involvement with national and international industries. Curriculum modernization, apprenticeship placements, job placements and life exposure to professional settings all require industry partners. Research demonstrates that vocational programs that are associated with the industrial ecosystems are always more effective in terms of employability results than individual training models (Banerjee, 2023) ^[15]. Enhanced alliances would help RKM reach more prospects, improve the validity of its qualifications, and provide learners with opportunities into the high-growth areas.

To conclude, though RKM has been showing remarkable dedication with regards to empowering the youth, it will be crucial to deal with financial instability, infrastructure, technology needs, and industry partnership to maintain the effects and be relevant to the future of *Viksit Bharat* in 2047.

9. Strategic Recommendations for *Viksit Bharat* @ 2047

9.1 Scaling Digital Education

Digital education scaling is among the most important policies in equipping the Indian youth to be productive members of the national vision of *Viksit Bharat* @ 2047. Due to the growing trend in the global economy toward digital, data-driven and automation-oriented industries, fair access to the digital learning process has become invaluable. With its vast grass-root operations and reputation of a holistic education, the Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) is in a better position to speed up digital transformation in various socio-economic settings. The strategy to strengthen the digital education needs to be multipronged, including the

provision of high-level training on using new technologies, the development of infrastructures, and the accessibility of digital services to everyone (NITI Aayog, 2021).

Among the recommendations is the extension of coding and AI literacy programs in institutions of RKM. Coding education also promotes problem solving, logical thinking, and creativity- all of which are important in the emerging job market as well as in creating innovation preparedness in the youth. Computational thinking can be developed even at a young age by introducing the students to programming languages like Python, Scratch, and Java. Moreover, through AI literacy programs, students will be able to learn the latest concepts in machine learning, data science, automation, and ethical usability of AI. Gupta (2022) [21] states that prior exposure to the concepts of AI can increase the adaptability of students to future technological conditions and contribute to the formation of an innovation-driven state of mind. RKM can equip students with the skills to work in high-growth industries (i.e. automation, data analytics, and digital entrepreneurship) by combining project-based learning, robotics kits, and AI experimentation laboratories.

The other crucial plan is to set up digital innovation zones at RKM campuses. These centers would be the area where students, teachers, and local people will work on digital projects, prototypes, and locally applicable technological solutions. As mini-incubators, it may offer access to computers, 3D printers, IoT modules, and collaborative software so that the youth could practice problem-solving in the real world. Studies have shown that innovation hubs help learners to be creative, collaborate, and think of entrepreneurship since they can participate in direct experimentation (Banerjee, 2023) [15]. Moreover, these hubs can be used to build collaborations with technology firms, start-ups, and universities, and result in mentorship programs, internships, and collaborative innovation challenges.

Digitization of education also involves closing the rural-urban gap through the enhancement of digital services in the underserviced rural regions. RKM is able to cooperate with the government and improve connectivity, offer low-cost devices, and present community-based digital learning modules. An enhanced digital base is certain to empower the students in far off areas to access advancing technologies too.

RKM can contribute significantly to the creation of a technologically empowered generation to build digital innovation hubs to ensure that India becomes a developed country by 2047.

9.2 Strengthening Industry Partnerships

The partnerships in industry have to be strengthened to improve employability of youths who have been trained in educational and skill development programs of Ramakrishna Mission (RKM). With India on the way to its long-term goal of *Viksit Bharat @ 2047*, alignment of educational institutions and industry ecosystems is extremely critical. Partnerships with Micro, Small and Medium Entrepreneurs (MSMEs), information technology firms, production units and networks of entrepreneurs may play a major role in enhancing employment opportunities, relevancy in curriculum and exposing students to the real world work situations. Research always indicates that institutions that have a high industry density result in high-employability

and higher career mobility in graduates (Kumar and Sarkar, 2021) [4].

The possibility of the modernization of the curriculum can be seen as one of the key pros of industry partnership. The dynamic technological change requires constant revision in the training curricula, equipments, and instructional practices. IT firms and MSMEs can also offer information on the changing market demands so that RKM can adjust its vocational and digital skills training programs to suit the prevailing industry standards. Co-designed training modules, guest lectures, and expert workshops are also opportunities through collaboration that would expose the students to modern tools and technologies and workplace expectations (Banerjee, 2023) [15].

Moreover, work-integrated learning is boosted in the industry by collaboration in terms of internships, apprenticeships, and on-job training. These experiential learning experiences facilitate youths to practice theoretical knowledge in real-world experiences which enhance mastery of their skills and prepare them to be ready to work in the workplace. To the industries, such alliances provide a line of talented and value-oriented personalities that can guide to organizational productivity. It is also indicated that the methods of apprenticeship are particularly effective in enhancing the placement rate, particularly in technical fields like electrical work, automotive repair, and computer hardware (Rao, 2022) [8].

The partnerships in the industry are also considered to be critical to the development of entrepreneurship. Mentors can be entrepreneurs and start-up founders who can provide young people with leadership and business strategies, as well as innovative thinking. The current entrepreneurship programmes of RKM can be strengthened by incubator networks, market access and the microfinance connection by partners in the industry. In this regard, MSMEs provide a chance to the youth-led micro-enterprises to become part of the local supply chains to enhance the grassroots economic development.

RKM can formalize the partnerships by signing Memorandums of Understanding (MoU) with the key players in the industry, i.e. NASSCOM, CII, FICCI, and regionally based MSME clusters to ensure the long-term sustainability of the partnership. These partnerships do not only enhance placement networks, but also enhance institutional credibility and gain a wider range of stakeholder support.

Through its partnerships with the industry, the Ramakrishna Mission will be able to bridge the gap between education and employment, which will make its youth beneficiaries adequately prepared to work in a vibrant, innovation-driven Indian economy that is in line with the aspirations of the nation by 2047.

9.3 Integrating NEP 2020

Adaptation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 to the educational system of the Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) will be a significant strategic move towards the promotion of the vision of holistic, equitable, and skills-based education in India. NEP 2020 focuses on multidisciplinary learning, competency-based pedagogy, digital literacy, value education and lifelong learning- none of which are very far away from the 100-year old educational philosophy of RKM. As some commentators have pointed out, the NEP emphasizes life-long education over exam-based education,

which is one of the aspects that RKM has been espousing since its inception. Thus, although the Mission already reflects most of the main principles of the NEP, its further expansion and streamlining in the entire span of its countrywide network may have a crucial bearing on the outcomes of education and be regarded as a prototype that can be nationwide replicated.

Among the crucial points of convergence is the fact that NEP is devoted to holistic and multidisciplinary education, which is very close to the RKM model of man-making and character-building. RKM schools combine intellectual training with emotional, moral, physical, and spiritual health by doing yoga, meditation, moral education, community service and education in the arts. These aspects reflect the request of NEP to develop cognitive and socio-emotional abilities equally and produce balanced individuals who can think in an ethical way and lead their community (Ministry of Education, 2020). Making this synergy formal will provide avenues to showing how holistic education can be deployed on a scale.

The focus on the development of skills, professional training, and practical learning, which NEP 2020 also pays much attention to, is one of the areas where RKM has a significant experience. The vocational centers, digital literacy centers, and the agricultural training programs that are available in the Mission are in tandem with the aims of NEP to involve vocational training in the school curriculum. The increase of such efforts, in particular, collaboration with other local industries and MSMEs will make RKM one of the primary stakeholders in the NEP goals of providing at least 50 percent of learners with vocational exposure by 2025 (NITI Aayog, 2021).

Moreover, the NEP demand of digital change in education also supplements the increased investments by RKM on smart classrooms, code labs, and digital literacy campaigns. NEP can be implemented faster by enhancing the digital infrastructure, particularly in the rural and tribal centers, thereby making sure that all students have equal access to the service. Lastly, NEP 2020 focuses on equity and inclusion, which means the need to support socio-economically disadvantaged populations. This mandate fits well with the long tradition of RKM to provide education to the tribals, go to rural areas, offer scholarships and empower women. It would be important to scale these models across the country in order to help in minimizing the disparity in education and promote inclusive development agenda of India. To conclude, the philosophy of the education of the Ramakrishna Mission is, in itself, aligned with NEP 2020. Organized penetration and nationalization of NEP-compatible practice in RKM institutions can act as a catalyst driven by transformation to the realization of education and development in India.

9.4 National Expansion of Value-Based Education

Value-based education is a national agenda that will create a decisive plan in moulding morally inclined and socially

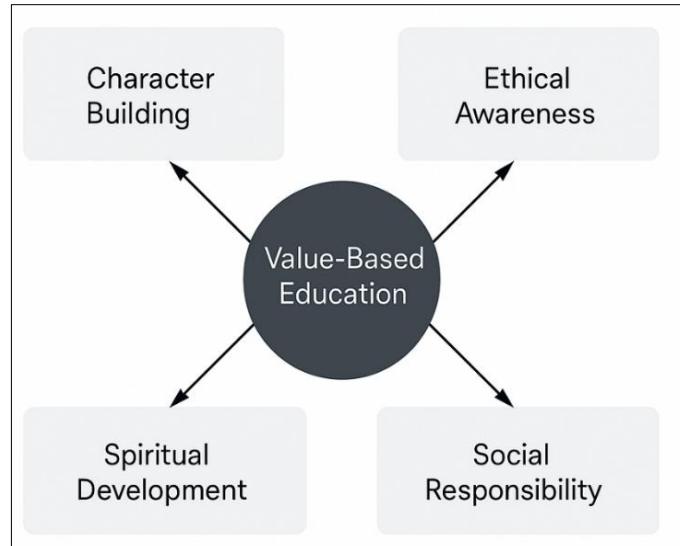
accountable people in India as it sets towards its development goals of Viksit Bharat @ 2047. Ramakrishna Mission (RKM), which has a long tradition of character formation that is holistic, provides a well-developed and successful paradigm of instilling ethical, emotive, and spiritual values in mainstream education. The implementation of the RKM curriculum of values in state and central schools can help eliminate the modern problems of society, including the decrease in empathy, the growth of mental pressure, and the escalation of social disintegration. According to scholars, value-based education builds resilient and responsible citizens and emotionally mature individuals, which are vital qualities required of learners in a fast-moving world.

The curriculum of values taught by RKM is the only to incorporate universal human values with real life activities in a way that helps in developing self-awareness, discipline, compassion, and service orientation. Meditation, yoga, reflective practice, community service, lessons on ethical reasoning, and other components are organically incorporated into day to day activities in the RKM institutions. This idea is very much in line with the ethical and humanistic objectives stipulated in the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 that focuses on the development of character, empathy, respect, and national pride (Ministry of Education, 2020). Integrated throughout the country, the practices would be a strong supplement to academic education which would encourage a more balanced and human-centered approach to learning.

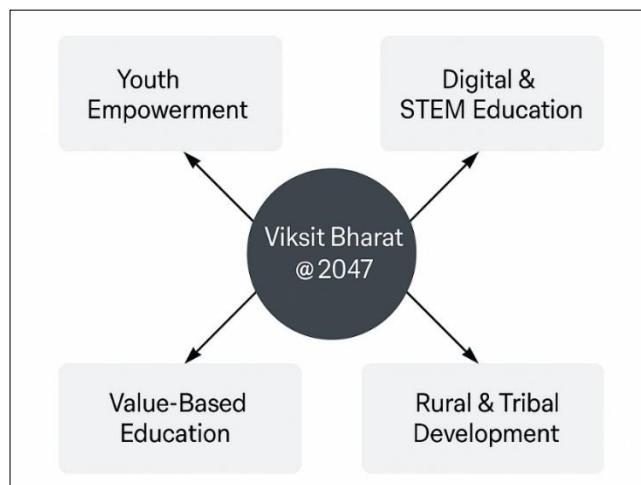
Besides, the introduction of RKM into the curriculum of state and central schools would help to foster social cohesion and cultural awareness. The modules based on the traditions of pluralism in India could be used to make students value diversity, develop interreligious tolerance, and acquire the sense of national unity. The studies indicate that value-based teaching leads to a significant increase in emotional intelligence, decreased conflict among students, and the development of better peer relationships (Ramanathan, 2019) [7]. The resultant effects are inclusive and peaceful learning environment which is crucial in the long-term development of a country.

The effective national growth would involve the systematic cooperation between RKM, governmental organizations, school boards and teacher training institutes. Education systems, instructional guidelines, and training seminars should be adjusted to regional and linguistic needs, but with the principles being preserved. Moreover, systems of monitoring and evaluation are to be created in order to determine how value-based education influences academic achievements, behavior, and well-being.

Through the incorporation of RKM values curriculum in regular schooling, India could become a nation that breeds a generation of moral, emotionally strong, socially conscious, youngsters who are ready to take the country into 2047 with honor and intent.

**Fig 15:** Core Dimensions of RKM's Value-Based Education Model**Table 16:** Potential Contributions of RKM's Values Curriculum to National Education

Value Dimension	Expected Impact in Schools
Ethical Reasoning	Improved decision-making and moral clarity
Emotional Intelligence	Reduced stress, improved peer relationships
Discipline & Mindfulness	Enhanced concentration and academic focus
Community Service	Stronger civic responsibility and empathy

**Fig 16:** Integrated Framework of RKM's Contribution to Viksit Bharat @ 2047**Table 17:** Summary of RKM's Core Contributions to National Development

Domain	Key Impact
Value-Based Education	Ethical, resilient, and compassionate youth
Skill Development	Higher employability across sectors
Digital Literacy	Bridging the rural-urban digital divide
Rural & Tribal Outreach	Inclusive and sustainable community development

10. Conclusion

Ramakrishna Mission (RKM) is another concept of young education and skills training in India that is unique and innovative. According to the ancient spiritual philosophy of Swami Vivekananda, RKM strategy has blended the human values with the learning of skills in the practice as well as the formation of the whole personality in a way that is most fulfilling to the modernity as well as the national interests in the long-run. The philosophy of the Mission is concerned with the proper development of physical strength, mental clarity, emotional stability, and moral uprightness that is

increasingly recognized by scholars as the key to the sustainable human development. This vision of education is very pertinent in the post-industrial age because of the fast gliding of the technology, change in work structures and growth in social complexity.

India is on path to Viksit Bharat @ 2047, so the desire to possess a value based, innovation based, socially inclusive youthful workforce has never been as a desperate need. The extensive chain of schools, colleges, skill development centers, digital literacy hubs, and rural outreach programs of RKM makes the organization an important stakeholder in

this national program. One of the achievements it has made to date is providing vocational training, computer literacy, agricultural productivity initiatives and entrepreneurship growth, which demonstrates that it can address systematic access gaps, equity, and employability (Rao, 2022) [8]. The high certification rates, the rise in enrollment rates, and the fact that the model of education elaborated by RKM is closely aligned with NEP 2020 make the model of education reproducible, adaptable, and highly adjustable to the change of the new developmental priorities in India.

Moreover, the involvement of RKM in the value based education has been longstanding, which contributes to it. Probably, in the world where the societies of people all over the world are grappling with moral issues, social decay, and diminishing emotional health, the curriculum provided by RKM relying on compassion, service, mindfulness, and character building will prove to provide a solution as to how a responsible and empathetic citizen can be raised (Ramanathan, 2019) [7]. These are the attributes that are critical in developing a cohesive and robust country capable of rising to the occasion like inequality, resource scarcity and digital disruption.

The operations of the Mission in the tribal and rural societies are even more interesting to demonstrate its potential to empower the underprivileged communities in references to the education opportunities and the particular skills development. The offer of opportunity to first-generation learners, women and oppressed youth makes RKM a social justice and community empowerment, being the two key drivers of the development agenda of India. In conclusion, the integrated strategy of schooling and skill development suggested by the Ramakrishna Mission offers a good and long-term avenue of realizing Indian dream of building a successful, caring, and employment-oriented nation by 2047. Developing relationships, enhancing digital capacity and value-added programs will also enable it to be an even more powerful driver of change in the country.

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