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Sunderji's Global Academia- Pioneering Inclusive Education Since 1996

Sunderji's Global Academia (SGA) was established in 1996 by **Late Jena Sunderji, Malek Sunderji, Zarina Sunderji, and Masarrat Tavawalla (Director)** — visionaries driven by the belief that **every child deserves access to quality education, empathy, and opportunity**, regardless of ability or background.

For nearly three decades, SGA has been a **pioneer in inclusive and special education**, blending **academics, therapy, and life-skills training** to nurture holistic growth and lifelong independence for the children with special needs.

Looking to the future, the academy aims to expand its reach through satellite centre, digital learning tools tailored for diverse learners, partnerships with inclusive employers, and policy-level advocacy. There is a strong focus on staying globally relevant while remaining locally impactful.

SGA provides a **continuum of education and therapy for children with special needs from early childhood to adulthood**, fostering **academic progress, social-emotional wellbeing, and community inclusion**. Our mission extends to **training mainstream educators**, advocating inclusive policies, and building a future where **neurodiversity is understood, respected, and celebrated**.

Our credentials:

- Over **10,000+** children, parents, and educators impacted since inception.
- **500+** certified teachers trained in inclusive pedagogy and child-centered learning.
- Accredited autism certification programs in collaboration with **Deenanath Mangeshkar Hospital** and **Savitribai Phule Pune University**.
- Recognized nationally for **integrating therapy-based education** with academics, life skills, and emotional support.

Masarrat Tavawalla

Co-Founder & Director, Sunderji's Global Academia

Masarrat Tavawalla is an acclaimed **educationist, autism coach, and inclusion advocate** known for her ability to seamlessly blend **research, policy, and empathy**. As Co-Founder and Director of **Sunderji's Global Academia**, she has led transformative initiatives in **special and inclusive education** across India and abroad.

Her work spans roles as **Master Trainer, Curriculum Designer, and Academic Consultant**, guiding schools under **SSC, CBSE, and IB boards** and partnering with organizations like **Akanksha Foundation, KEM Hospital, and Deenanath Mangeshkar Hospital**.

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A **thought leader and author**, she co-authored *Inclusivity: Everyone Matters* and has contributed widely to research and media on **child psychology, neurodiversity, and parenting**.

Honors & Recognitions

- 2024 – Top 100 Influencer, Women's TV, India
- 2024 – Exemplary Women in Education, Brain Awards
- 2024 – Sahyogita Award for Special Needs Education
- 2023 – Lifetime Achievement in Education, BJP Education Cell, India
- 2023 – Exemplary Contribution to Education, Enark Awards
- 2021 – Best Woman Contributor in Special Education, IIWA–GISR Foundation
- 2020 – Women of Excellence, Indian Achievers Forum

Guided by her belief that **“every child deserves the right to learn, belong, and thrive,”** Masarrat continues to shape a more inclusive educational landscape in India.

Our Three Centre of Excellence:

- **Sunderji Early Intervention Centre**
- **Sunderji Institute of Special School**
- **Sunderji Vocational Institute**

Sunderji Early Intervention Centre: Established: 2003

“Because Early Support Changes Everything.”

Research affirms that the years from **birth to age six** are the most crucial for brain development — a time when the mind is at its most flexible and responsive. During these early years, children build the foundations for lifelong learning, behavior, and well-being. Yet, for some, this journey can take unexpected detours. **Developmental delays**, stemming from genetic, neurological, or environmental factors, may affect a child's ability to communicate, interact socially, regulate emotions, or achieve age-appropriate milestones.

At **Sunderji Early Intervention Centre (SEIC)**, we believe that timely, intentional, and expertly guided **early intervention can transform lives**. With over two decades of experience, SEIC provides **individualized, empathetic, and evidence-based services** designed to nurture growth in every child.

Our Holistic Ecosystem of Support:

Our Interdisciplinary Team: Our dedicated team of professionals works collaboratively to create **personalized and integrated support plans** for every child. The team includes:

- **Developmental Pediatrician** – Oversees developmental milestones, diagnoses, and medical guidance.
- **Clinical Psychologist** – Conducts assessments, supports behavior modification, and provides emotional counseling.

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- **RCI-Registered Special Educator** – Designs and implements individualized education plans (IEPs) tailored to each learner's needs.
- **Speech and Language Pathologist** – Enhances communication, comprehension, and social interaction skills.
- **Occupational Therapist** – Develops fine-motor, sensory, and adaptive skills to improve daily functioning.
- **Sensory Therapist** – Addresses sensory processing challenges to promote balance, focus, and comfort.
- **Play Therapist** – Uses play to build emotional expression, creativity, and social engagement.
- **Art Therapist** – Encourages self-expression, emotional regulation, and confidence through creative arts.
- **Dance Movement Therapist** – Supports body awareness, coordination, and emotional well-being through movement and rhythm.

Together, this **multidisciplinary team** ensures that every child receives **holistic, coordinated, and compassionate care**, fostering steady growth across developmental, academic, and social-emotional domains. We do not offer isolated therapies; we create a **comprehensive ecosystem** of care that is **responsive, reflective, and respectful** of every child's individuality.

Areas of Support

Difficulties We Address:

- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Specific Learning Difficulties
- Intellectual Disability
- Down Syndrome
- Cerebral Palsy
- Sensory Processing Disorders

Integrated Developmental Programs:

Interventions Offered:

- **Neuro-Linguistic Programming**
- **Behavior Modification Plans**
- **Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)**
- **ADL & Life Skills Training**
- **Sensory Integration Therapy**
- **Social Development & Communication Programs**
- **Speech & Language Development Modules**

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Therapies Provided:

- Play Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Counseling & Parental Guidance

Program Formats

- **1:1 On-Site Individual Sessions** – Conducted in a structured, sensory-safe environment, these play-based and therapeutic sessions focus on communication, behavior, cognition, and motor development under the supervision of trained specialists.
- **Home-Bound Program** – Designed for families unable to access the centre regularly, this model combines guided home intervention with periodic on-site sessions. Parents receive hands-on training to maintain structured routines aligned with the child's personalized plan.
- **School Readiness Program** – Prepares children for formal schooling through play-based activities that develop pre-academic, social, and behavioral skills. Focus areas include early literacy and numeracy, attention building, classroom readiness, and communication confidence.

Our Vision

At Sunderji Early Intervention Centre, **developmental challenges are met not with fear, but with possibility.** We stand as a space of **hope, growth, and empowerment**, where every child is **seen, supported, and celebrated** — for who they are and all they can become.



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Sunderji Institute of Special School- Established: 2005

“Empowering Learners with Confidence, Independence, and Dignity.”

Our award-winning institute reflects our **highly trained, compassionate team** and **progressive, inclusive philosophy**. We provide education from **K1 to Grade 12**, aligned with **OBE (Open Basic Education) Levels A, B & C** and the **NIOS (National Institute of Open Schooling)** curriculum, preparing neurodiverse students for **Grades 10 and 12 board examinations**.

Integrated Therapies and Programs

Developmental & Academic Blocks

- **Junior Block (K1–Grade 1):** Builds comfort, sensory exploration, and foundational self-help skills through play and structure.
- **Primary Block (Grades 2–4):** Introduces early literacy, numeracy, and classroom routines using visual and multisensory learning.
- **Secondary Block (Grades 5–7):** Enhances subject understanding, communication, and self-regulation through group and real-world learning.
- **NIOS Block (Grades 8–10, 12):** Prepares students for **national board certification**, focusing on academics, independence, and advocacy.
- **Skill Development Block (Levels 1–3):** Strengthens **daily living, workplace readiness, and social conduct**, enabling **semi-independent living** with dignity.

Developmental Integrations:

- Behavior Modification & Cognitive Programs
- ADL & Life Skills Training
- Sensory Integration
- Social & Communication Development
- Speech, Language & Physical Engagement
- Dance & Movement Programs

Therapies Offered:

- Speech & Language Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Music, Art & Play Therapy
- Counseling & Emotional Guidance

Our Interdisciplinary Team

- A collaborative network of professionals designs personalized plans for every learner:
- Clinical Psychologists & Counselors
- Speech and Language Pathologists
- RCI-Registered Special Educators
- Occupational & Sensory Therapists
- Play, Art, Dance Movement, and Music Therapists

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Facilities — The Nurturing Zones

Where Therapeutic Excellence Meets Emotional Well-being

At Sunderji Institute of Special School, **The Nurturing Zones** bring together specialized spaces designed to support **regulation, communication, movement, and emotional growth**. Purpose-built and seamlessly woven into the school's daily rhythm, these zones ensure that every child's **sensory, physical, and emotional needs** are met with compassion and expertise.

- 1. The Sensory Studio:** A calming, adaptive space equipped with tactile panels, light projections, swings, and soft furnishings. Each classroom also includes a **portable sensory toolkit** for instant regulation and refocusing.
- 2. The Expression Hall:** A mirrored, open studio where **Dance Movement Therapy** fosters body awareness, emotional expression, and confidence—especially for children with anxiety, ADHD, or coordination challenges.
- 3. The Sound Nest:** An acoustically balanced room featuring instruments and sound-based tools for **Music Therapy**, promoting self-expression, communication, and emotional regulation.
- 4. The Active Zone:** An indoor–outdoor gym with fitness props, obstacle setups, and adaptive sports equipment. Enhances **strength, coordination, and teamwork** through fun, movement-based learning.
- 5. The Physio Pod:** A specialized **physiotherapy hub** (in partnership with KEM Hospital) offering structured motor and posture support using therapy balls and mobility aids in a familiar environment.
- 6. The Digi Lab:** Equipped with **adaptive technology, speech-to-text tools, and educational software** to build cognitive flexibility, digital literacy, and future-readiness for all learners.
- 7. The Reflection Room:** A warm, inviting space for **emotional safety and counseling**, where students develop coping skills and emotional awareness under the guidance of trained professionals.

Our Recognitions

Proudly honored by **Education World Awards** for consistent excellence:

- **2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2020** – Ranked 1st Special School in Pune
- **2024, 2023, 2022, 2020** – Ranked 4th Special School in Maharashtra
- **2024, 2023, 2022, 2020** – Ranked 6th Special School in India
- **2024** – Ranked 1st: Social Impact Award (Pune) | Top Five in India
- **2021** – Top 5 Design Thinking Leaders in India

Every aspect of Sunderji Institute of Special School is **purposefully designed to nurture independence, confidence, and emotional well-being** — preparing every learner not just for academics, but for **life with dignity and purpose**.

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Sunderji Vocational Institute (SVI)- Established: 2025

“Empowering Neurodiverse Young Adults for Purposeful, Independent Futures”

Sunderji Vocational Institute (SVI) is a **specialized center of excellence** that bridges the gap between **education and employment** for neurodiverse young adults. Established as a natural progression from the Sunderji Institute of Special School, SVI equips learners with **practical vocational skills, independent living abilities, and confidence to thrive in the world of work.**

Our Core Program: Diploma in Applied Skills & Workforce Readiness

A structured **three-year vocational diploma** designed for individuals with **autism spectrum disorder (ASD), ADHD, Intellectual Disabilities, Down Syndrome, and Specific Learning Difficulties.**

The program follows a **strength-based approach** that nurtures each learner’s abilities while developing professional, social, and life skills.

Program Highlights:

- **Year 1 – Foundation:** Exploring multiple vocational pathways and building self-awareness.
- **Year 2 – Specialization:** Advancing into a chosen skill area with applied learning and teamwork.
- **Year 3 – Transition:** Real-world internships, sheltered work experiences, and job-readiness training.

Vocational Courses Offered:

- **Block Printing & Creative Design** – Traditional art-based printing and small-batch production.
- **Digital Graphic Production** – Design, printing, and digital workflow management.
- **Creative Culinary Arts** – Practical cooking and baking in a sensory-safe kitchen environment.
- **Urban Horticulture** – Hands-on gardening, plant care, and landscaping.
- **Hospitality & Housekeeping** – Industry-aligned training in professional hygiene and facility maintenance.

Graduates emerge as **work-ready, confident individuals**—equipped for inclusive employment or supported entrepreneurial ventures.

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Sheltered Employment Program

For learners requiring continued guidance, this initiative provides **structured, supervised work opportunities** to practice and refine skills at an individualized pace. Participants engage in meaningful projects—ranging from **creative production and digital services to packaging and administration**—while building confidence, responsibility, and independence. The program also acts as a **bridge to open employment**, community initiatives, or entrepreneurship.

Learner Support & Enrichment Framework

Academic Support

- Customized learning accommodations and assistive technologies.
- Structured teaching strategies to enhance comprehension and retention.

Social Communication Development

- Soft skills and assertive communication training.
- Group sessions for teamwork and relationship-building.
- Real-life workplace simulations for practical readiness.

Independent Living Skills

- Daily living and self-care routines.
- Financial literacy and online transaction skills.
- Legal awareness and civic participation.
- Budgeting, digital literacy, and time management.

Integrated Wellness & Enrichment

To promote physical, emotional, and mental balance, SVI integrates wellness practices into daily learning, including:

- **Zumba & Meditation** – For fitness and emotional regulation.
- **Art & Music Therapy** – For creativity and sensory expression.
- **Sound Therapy & Pranic Healing** – For relaxation and energy balance.
- **Recreational Hobbies & Bach Flower Therapy** – For joy, mindfulness, and emotional support.
- **Counseling Sessions** – For mental health, guidance, and personal reflection.

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Our Philosophy

At SVI, education extends beyond academics—it is a **pathway to dignity, purpose, and contribution**. Through strong mentorship, industry collaboration, and family partnership, we empower neurodiverse young adults to **find their voice, embrace their potential, and live with confidence and independence**.



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