



RSS at a Glance



In the year 1925, when the struggle for Bharat's independence was gaining momentum but the social fabric remained fragile, a quiet beginning was made in the city of Nagpur. Dr Keshav Baliram Hedgewar, a physician by training and a nationalist by conviction, brought together a small group of young individuals in a modest gathering. There were no banners, no formal declarations and no elaborate structures; instead there was conviction that a disorganised society could not hope to achieve enduring freedom. This was the genesis of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, or RSS, which in the course of next hundred years became one of the most significant movements in Bharat's (India) history.

Sarsanghchalak

With wisdom and humility, Sarsanghchalak leads RSS volunteers, guiding their collective journey of community service and nation-building in spirit of oneness and Dharma, righteous living.

**Dr. Keshav Baliram
Hedgewar
(1925-1940)**

**M.S. Golwalkar
(Shri Guruji)
(1940-1973)**

**Madhukar
Dattatreya Deoras
(Balasaheb Deoras)
(1973-1994)**

**Prof. Rajendra Singh
(Rajju Bhaiya)
(1994-2000)**

**Dr. Mohan Bhagwat
(2009-Present)**

**K.S. Sudarshan
(2000-2009)**

RSS Working Structure

Sarsanghchalak
(RSS Chief)

Sarkaryavah
(General Secretary)

Sah-Sarkaryavah
(Joint General Secretary)

Akhil Bharatiya Sharirik Pramukh
(All India in-charge of physical activities)

Akhil Bharatiya Sah-Sharirik Pramukh
(All India deputy in-charge of physical activities)

Akhil Bharatiya Bauddhik Pramukh
(All India in-charge of intellectual activities)

Akhil Bharatiya Sah-Bauddhik Pramukh
(All India deputy in-charge of intellectual activities)

Akhil Bharatiya Vyavastha Pramukh
(All India in-charge of Logistics)

Akhil Bharatiya Sah-Vyavastha Pramukh
(All India deputy in-charge of Logistics)

Akhil Bharatiya Pracharak Pramukh
(All India in- charge of RSS workers that work full time)

Akhil Bharatiya Sah-Pracharak Pramukh
(All India deputy in-charge of RSS full-time workers)

Akhil Bharatiya Seva Pramukh
(All India in- charge of social services)

Akhil Bharatiya Sah-Seva Pramukh
(All India deputy in-charge of social services)

Akhil Bharatiya Sampark Pramukh
(All India in- charge of outreach)

Akhil Bharatiya Sah-Sampark Pramukh
(All India deputy in-charge of outreach)

Akhil Bharatiya Prachar Pramukh
(All India in- charge of media)

Akhil Bharatiya Sah-Prachar Pramukh
(All India co-incharge of media)

Swayamsevaks

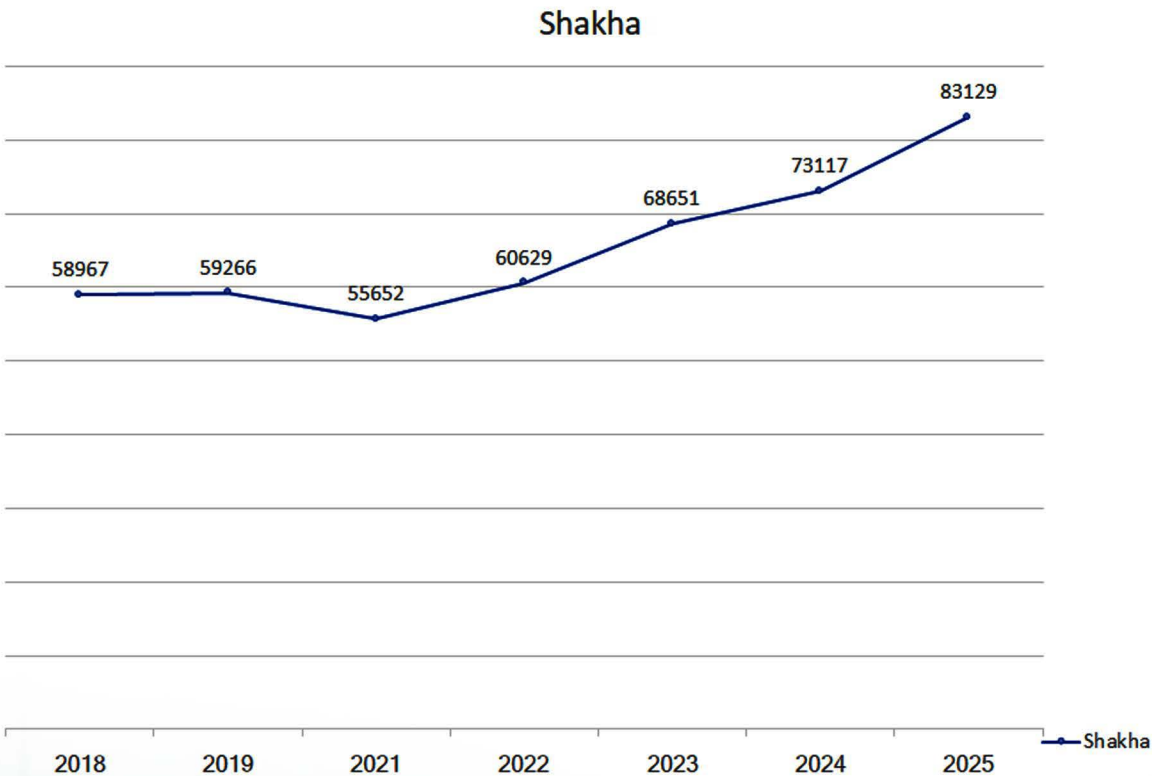
Swayamsevaks are self-driven RSS volunteers whose disciplined life fuels acts of service at home, work and amongst communities.



Shakha

Shakha is a RSS local branch gathering (held in neighbourhoods across India) where volunteers meet daily for exercises, games and thoughtful discussions that foster teamwork, character and nation-building.

83+
Thousand

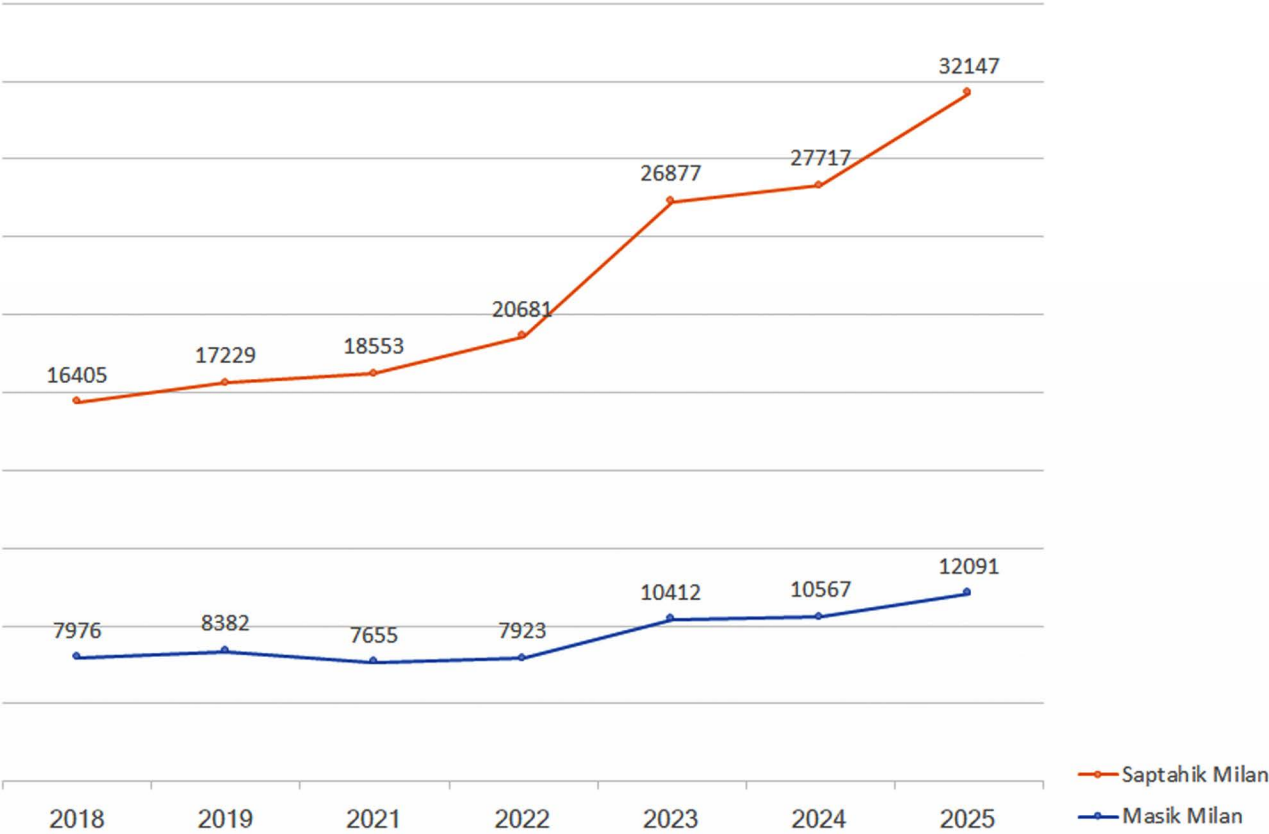


Milan and Mandli

Milan is a weekly get-together for swayamsevaks that blend physical drills, patriotic songs, cultural storytelling and lively discussions to celebrate heritage and inspire shared spirit of unity.

Mandali is a monthly meeting or gathering where volunteers review their progress, plan upcoming programmes and deepen their understanding of organization’s ideals, reinforcing their shared commitment and camaraderie.

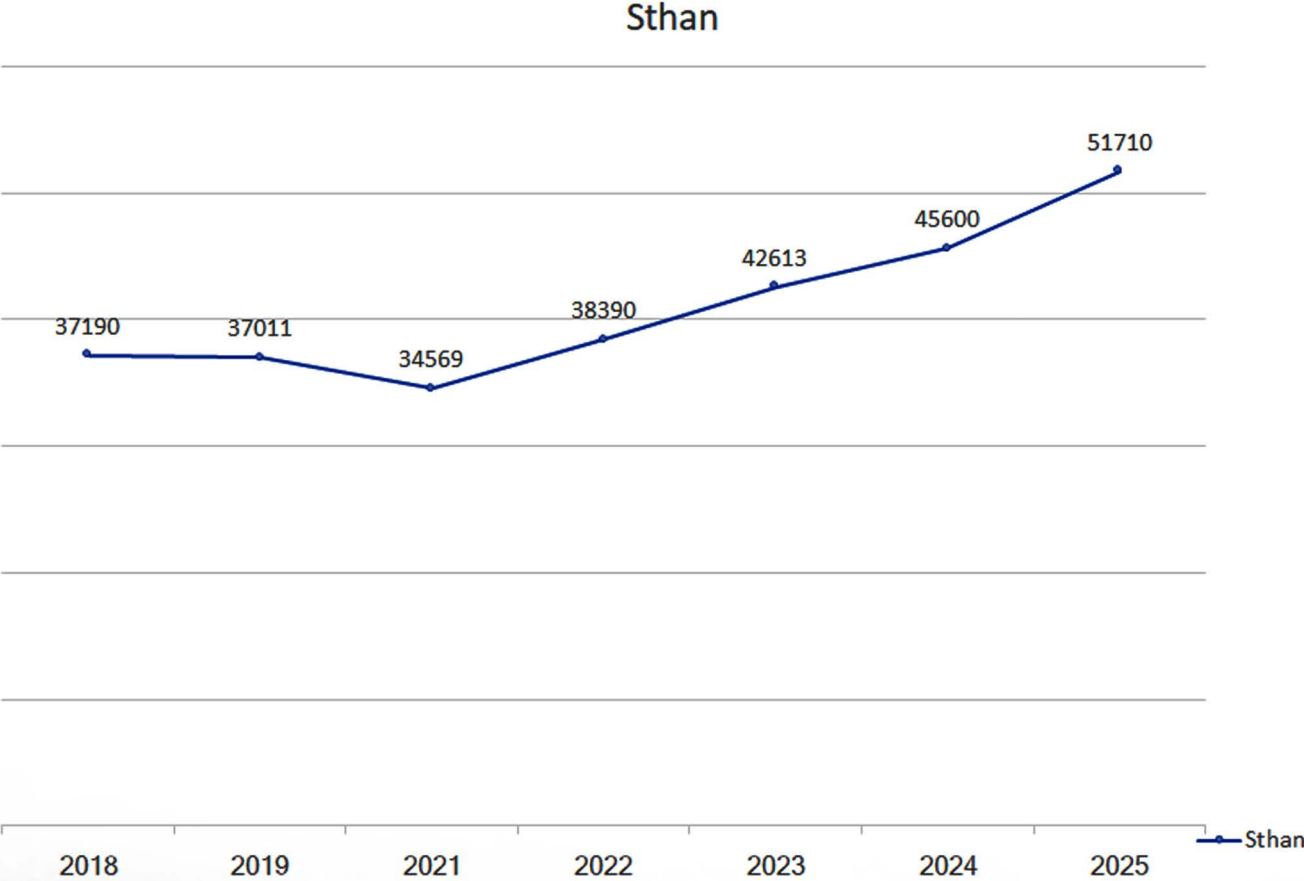
32+
Thousand



Sthan

Sthan refers to a locality, city, town or village where daily RSS branch sessions (shakhas) are held, rooting the movement firmly in local communities.

51+
Thousand



Service Projects

RSS runs countless service projects from disaster relief, blood donation drives to education and healthcare initiatives in slums and tribal areas, serving all people in need without any discrimination.

129+ Thousand

1,29,000 Service Projects



Education 40,920
Medical 17,461
Self reliance 10,779
Social 20,546
Others 39,294

Schools

RSS-inspired schools provide value-based education to millions of students across India, blending academic learning with character-building and deep appreciation of cultural heritage.

12+
Thousand



RSS-Inspired Organisations

Broad network of RSS-inspired organizations spans diverse fields like youth and student groups, labour unions, charities, cultural and political bodies, all united by common ethos of selfless service and national pride.

32+

**Sangh Inspired
autonomous movements**



*Guided by the spirit of 'Vasudhaiva
Kutumbakam', the world is one family, every
swayamsevak dedicates himself to seva,
sanskar and sangathan, working to make
Bharat an icon of harmony, strength and
compassion for all humanity.*