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AU Small Finance Bank supports ISKCON Patna with a dedicated Food Distribution Vehicle



Patna, 11th August, 2026: AU Foundation, the CSR arm of AU Small Finance Bank (AU SFB), India's largest Small Finance Bank and among the first in over a decade to receive *in-principle* approval for transition into a Universal Bank, has **extended its support to ISKCON Patna's 'Food for Life' initiative by providing a dedicated food distribution vehicle** to strengthen the reach of nutritious and sanctified meals (*prasadam*) to communities across Bihar.

The initiative aims to improve access to nutritious meals for **underprivileged families, school-going children, senior citizens, and individuals affected by natural disasters**, while enhancing the efficiency of last-mile food distribution in remote and underserved locations.

The vehicle handover was done by **CO Chairman Raman Manohar Das**, also known as **Dr Ranjan Kumar Bahera, an IIT alumnus**, along with senior officials of AU SFB at ISKCON temple, Goloka Dham, Budh Marg, Patna.

The newly deployed vehicle will enable ISKCON Patna to transport and distribute meals more efficiently across communities that often face challenges in accessing regular nutrition support. By strengthening mobility and outreach capabilities, the initiative is expected to expand the programme's footprint and facilitate the timely delivery of meals to thousands of beneficiaries every month across Patna and surrounding regions.

The support reflects AU Foundation's continued commitment towards creating sustainable social impact through interventions focused on **health, nutrition, education, livelihood development, and community well-being**. By enabling access to nutritious food, the initiative contributes towards promoting healthier communities and supporting vulnerable populations during times of need.

Food security remains one of the most critical challenges for vulnerable communities. Through this collaboration, AU Foundation and ISKCON Patna seek to strengthen the reach of community

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feeding programmes, ensuring that nutritious meals reach those who need them most. The initiative reinforces AU Foundation's vision of fostering inclusive growth and creating meaningful social impact through partnerships that address essential community needs.

About AU Foundation - CSR arm of AU Small Finance Bank

From its roots in Rajasthan to a growing national footprint, AU Foundation has remained committed to building resilient and self-reliant communities an approach shaped deeply by the vision and stewardship of Sanjay Agarwal, Founder, MD & CEO of AU Small Finance Bank (AU SFB). His leadership anchors the Foundation in AU's "Forever Bank" philosophy, ensuring that community interventions create lifelong impact rather than momentary support.

As the CSR arm of AU SFB, India's largest Small Finance Bank, now holding the RBIs in principle approval to transition into a Universal Bank, the foundation operates with the conviction that a bank is not merely a participant but a co-author in Bharat's growth story. Under Sanjay Agarwal's thought leadership, AU Foundation blends financial discipline, innovation and empathy into programmes that are scalable and sustainable, aligned with the national vision of Viksit Bharat and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

For Sanjay Agarwal, CSR is merely not an added responsibility but an accountability to design interventions that outlast funding cycles, outgrow geographies and outperform expectations on inclusion and dignity. Anchored in transparent processes, meaningful stakeholder engagement and impact oriented, the foundation ensures that every effort compounds into durable social capital.

Under his guidance, the AU Foundation continues to strengthen communities at scale, through grassroots developments, consistently translating vision into value and intent into impact, one livelihood, one athlete, one entrepreneur and one village at a time. AU Foundation's impact spans a holistic portfolio of flagship programmes: AU Ignite, which has trained 36,000+ youth and enabled 26,000+ placements; AU Bano Champion, supporting 6,000+ athletes with 2,300+ medals; AU Udyogini, empowering 5,900+ women entrepreneurs; and AU Kartavya, advancing community development across healthcare, education, environment, water conservation and road safety.

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