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The Enterprise of serving 5 million children everyday - Food For Education

Abstract

The Akshaya Patra Foundation (Akshaya = limitless, Patra = vessel of food) is the worlds most extensive school meals program currently serving over 1.6 million children every day. Each of these meals is freshly prepared and served hot via our award-winning manufacturing facilities we lovingly call kitchens. Akshaya Patra is preparing to scale and feed over 5 million children every day through social entrepreneurship. In so doing Akshaya Patra is benchmarking how to eliminate classroom hunger, through partnerships, systems and processes. Akshaya Patra aims to eliminate social inequity, and its Food-for-Education program is a story of innovation through the line, of manufacturing excellence and perhaps even importantly - of service.

Biography

Bhawani Singh Shekhawat is CEO of the Akshaya Patra Foundation in London, UK. Trained as an economist, Mr Shekhawat has served in senior leadership roles in multiple geographies and has lived in the UK, Asia, Middle- East and North Africa. Mr Shekhawat worked with Nielsen, Reckitt Benckiser (RB) and The Coca-Cola Company in multiple roles. Mr Shekhawat believes that service should be at the core of all organisations and is a passionate advocate of the tri-sector model of development, where communities, institutions and not-for-profits come together to solve societal issues with speed and at scale. Bhawani speaks internationally on innovation, leadership and social entrepreneurship.

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