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Visionary educator Dr. Manjula Shroff blends learning with wellness to prepare learners for life

Dr. Manjula Pooja Shroff is one of India's most influential education leaders, working towards the cause of K-12 Education through innovation, inclusivity, and holistic development.

Born into the Surangi Royal Family of Odisha, Dr. Shroff chose to carve her own path through education and leadership. Her academic exposure at venerable institutions, such as the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad and the London School of Economics, reinforced her belief that education must evolve with changing times while remaining deeply rooted in human values.

In 1995, she established the Kalorex Group with a vision to create progressive learning ecosystems. What began as a bold initiative has expanded today into a network of more than 80 institutions impacting over 190,000 learners. One of her pioneering achievements was bringing the first Delhi Public School to Gujarat in 1996, introducing globally aligned education at a time when such ideas faced resistance in many communities.

Apart from being an educationist, Dr. Shroff is also an accomplished author, columnist, vlogger, speaker, mentor and life coach. Her best-selling parenting book *Baby Steps to Big Dreams* received wide appreciation for its practical and compassionate parenting insights, while *Safe Teen Steps* emerged as its impactful sequel, guiding families through the complexities of adolescence in today's digital world.

Internationally, Dr. Shroff has represented India at prestigious global forums including the ACE in Australia (2025), World Economic

Forum at Davos Switzerland (2025), COP28 Dubai, the G20 Summit in Sao Paulo, the UNGA Human Rights Summit, and the Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS) conferences in Tokyo and Nairobi (2025). Her voice continues to influence conversations around educational reform, emotional well-being, sustainability, and future-ready learning.

Through her national educational initiatives, policy advocacy, parenting platforms, and holistic learning programs, Dr. Shroff has positively impacted over 50,000 stakeholders, including educators, parents, students, and institutional leaders across India.

She is also at the forefront of AI in education—pioneering India's first AI Parenting App "Maya," which provides parents with 24x7 guidance on child development, digital safety, and conscious parenting. Dr. Shroff strongly believes that parenting and education must work hand-in-hand to build emotionally secure and socially responsible individuals.

What truly distinguishes Dr. Shroff is her belief that education should prepare individuals not merely for examinations, but for life itself. This vision became the foundation of SHROFFism—a transformative philosophy focused on self-awareness, emotional wellness, purposeful leadership, and holistic growth.

Within SHROFFism, Dr. Shroff introduced initiatives such as DHI Academy and Me-Time. DHI Academy focuses on reflective learning, emotional resilience, leadership development, and conscious living through experiential practices and meaningful dialogue. Me-Time encourages individuals to pause, reflect, heal, and reconnect with themselves amidst the pressures of modern life.

As the founder and visionary behind the Kalorex Group, Dr. Shroff has successfully brought together diverse educational, parenting, wellness, leadership, and AI-driven initiatives under one integrated ecosystem—creating a complete 360-degree stakeholder model that nurtures students, empowers educators, supports parents, strengthens institutions, and prepares future-ready communities. More than building institutions, she has built a movement that is redefining education as a lifelong journey of growth, balance, purpose, and transformation.

