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Ministry of Education
Government of India

National Law Scholars Program

*A Bharat Navodaya Abhiyan (BNA) initiative
in collaboration with the Ministry of Education
(Government of India)*

Operational Headquarters:

*Navodaya Vidyalaya, GB Nagar, Noida, 203207,
India*



WHY NLSP? | Achieving social equity by enabling educational parity

1.5 million lawyers in India

Only 15% of Indian lawyers are women

Only 1.3% judges hail from SC/ST communities

0 Dalit chief justices in 24 high courts since 2010

The faultlines in caste, religion and gender have resulted in structural omission and oppression of Dalit and Adivasi communities in the Indian legal landscape, with English-speaking elites dominating the space.

The National Law Scholars Program (NLSP) aims to bridge this gap and **achieve educational parity in India**.

It creates **agents out of India's historically marginalized youth**, enabling a more **democratic and constitutional India** where the masses have the capacity and courage to take charge and be the **change in their community**.

1. <https://www.uianet.org/en/actions/overview-legal-profession-india>

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3. <https://theprint.in/opinion/dalit-history-month/no-dalit-judge-country-top-court-passed-order-sc-st-act/46484/>

4. <https://counterviewfiles.files.wordpress.com/2021/10/dalit-india-chapter-3.pdf>

THE BASICS | Key information

Registered Name: Navodaya Institute

Registered Trademark & Brand Name: Bharat Navodaya Abhiyan (BNA)

Entity status: Public Charitable Trust (Indian Trust Act 1882)

Date of Incorporation: 14th June 2018

First and second Batch: 2019-2021; 2021-23, 30 students in each batch; **Third Batch (Ongoing):** 2023-25, 40 Students
12A, 80G approved, audited financials available since the founding year, all donations 80G exempted

Registered office: C-1/14A, Second Floor, Jasola, New Delhi, Delhi, India

Operational Headquarters: Navodaya Vidyalaya, Dadri, GB Nagar, Noida, 203207, India

Note: Our operational headquarters is housed at the campus provided by our core partner Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, Ministry of Education, Government of India

TRUSTEES & TEAM

Anoop Maurya - Managing Trustee & President

Shiv Kumar Maurya - Trustee & Secretary

Prince Kumar - Director, IT & Finance

Samriddhi Pandey - Program Manager

Shweta Kushwaha - Administration & Strategy

Dr. Vishnu Anurag - Joint Secretary

OUR ESTEEMED DONORS

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Surabhi Bikhchandani, Career Coach at Quadrangle

Vijay Mahajan, Founder, PRADAN; and Basix group; CEO, RGF

3.2 crores raised so far

Early stage incubation and
recognition received from

ATE Chandra Foundation, India

Acumen, United States

UnLtd India, India

**Centre of Entrepreneurship, Ashoka
University**, India

Centre for Social Impact and

Philanthropy, Ashoka University, India

Polyplex, India

PROGRAM DESIGN | Creating law scholars & social justice lawyers

18-month residency during 11th-12th grade	Select students from partner Navodaya Schools through a comprehensive selection process	Provide 11th-12th standard schooling along with CLAT/AILET coaching	Provide workshops, seminars & need-based support towards additional learning opportunities
Law college preparedness	Become pillars of support to students on-campus as they find their own feet	Support students by awarding limited scholarships and providing access to other financial aid opportunities	Provide access to law internships and a high-level network of senior lawyers
Post college support network	Provide active support to graduates to enter mainstream legal professions	Empower graduates to become agents of change in their communities	Provide life-long mentorship and coaching

ADMISSIONS RECORD 2023

57%

Secured admission to one of the **top 20** law colleges

40%

Secured admission to **NLU**s (National Law University)

50%

Achieved a place in the top 250 all-India rankings among peers from their social categories.

Colleges where our students secured admissions:

NLU West Bengal

NLU Jodhpur

National Forensic Sciences University (Gandhinagar)

NLU Gujarat

NLU Mumbai

NLU Sonipat

Government Law College Mumbai

Indian Law Society Pune

St Stephen's

College, Delhi

University

Miranda House,

Delhi University

Jawaharlal Nehru

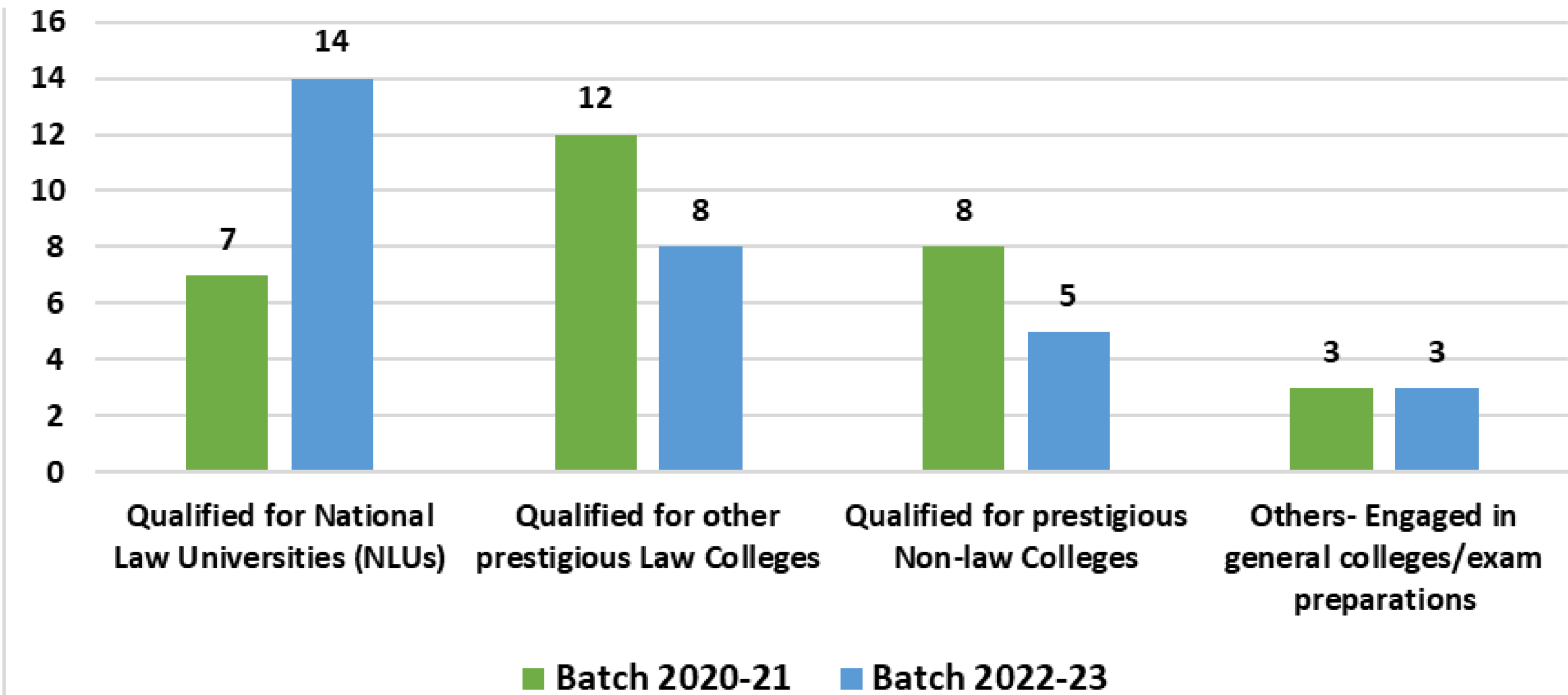
university

St Xavier's

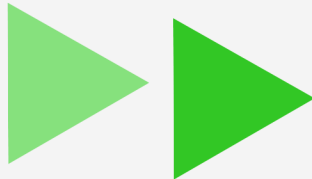
College, Kolkata

IMPACT | Progress over the last 2 years

Total Students: 60
Male: 40
Female: 20



Other growth statistics



55% ↑

We doubled our average CLAT score over the last year, placing our students amongst the cream of the crop in Indian law colleges.

73% ↑

The number of girls enrolled with NLSP multiplied by 2023

Rising from the grassroots

Over the last two years, we've successfully sent 21 graduates to **NLU**s. By launching India's youth from the margins into successful legal professions, we're driving social equity in India which is the cornerstone of the National Law Scholars Program.

87%

FROM IMPOVERISHED
VILLAGES

52%

MARGINALISED AND
AT-RISK CHILDREN

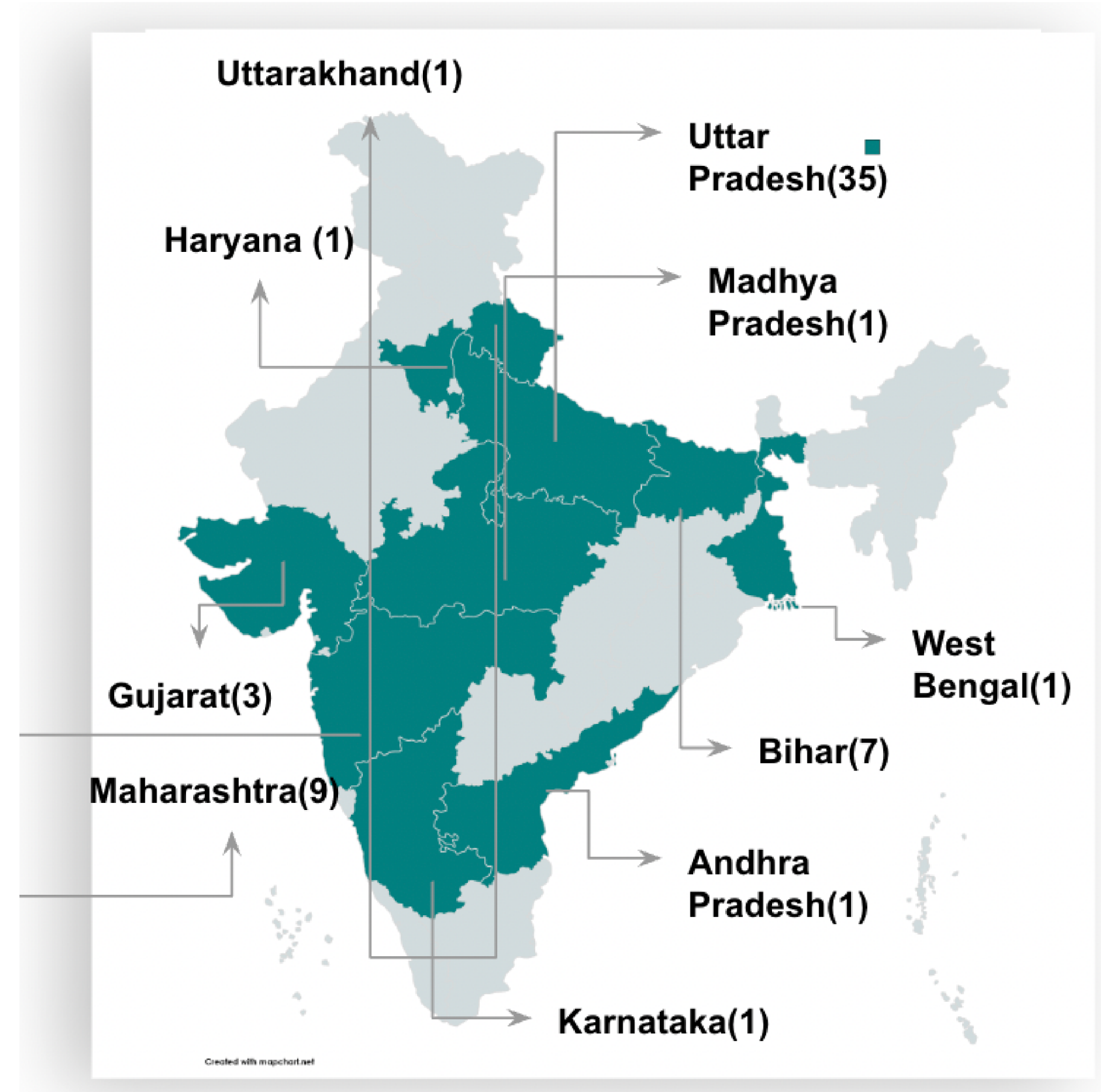
53%

FIRST-GENERATION
STUDENTS

52%

FROM BELOW
POVERTY LINE

THE NLSP IMPRINT



TESTIMONIALS | In the words of our alumni

I got personalized attention and genuine care that instilled the courage and confidence in me to dream big. I received focused guidance that enabled me to push my boundaries and achieve more than I ever imagined.

Shivam Kumar, NLU West Bengal

The BNA curriculum exposed me to a world beyond the norm. It gave me the confidence to explore this world and aspire to succeed in it. BNA has greatly impacted me, and I'm glad the program exists.

Awaneesh Kumar, NLU Gujarat

BNA changed my thoughts on gender and changed my perspective towards it.

Vivek Kumar, NLU Tamilnadu

BNA's mentorship gave me the confidence to pursue ambitious goals. Thanks to their guidance, I secured a place in a top college, a feat I always doubted. BNA has truly been a transformative force in my academic journey.'

Pooja Kursange, St. Stephen's College, DU

BNA gave me a reason to stay positive. In situations where even the strongest person could fall, BNA taught me to rise and hope to live big dreams. For me, the dream was to get into NLU - a dream made possible through their unconditional support.

Nisha Chandoriya, NLU Bhopal

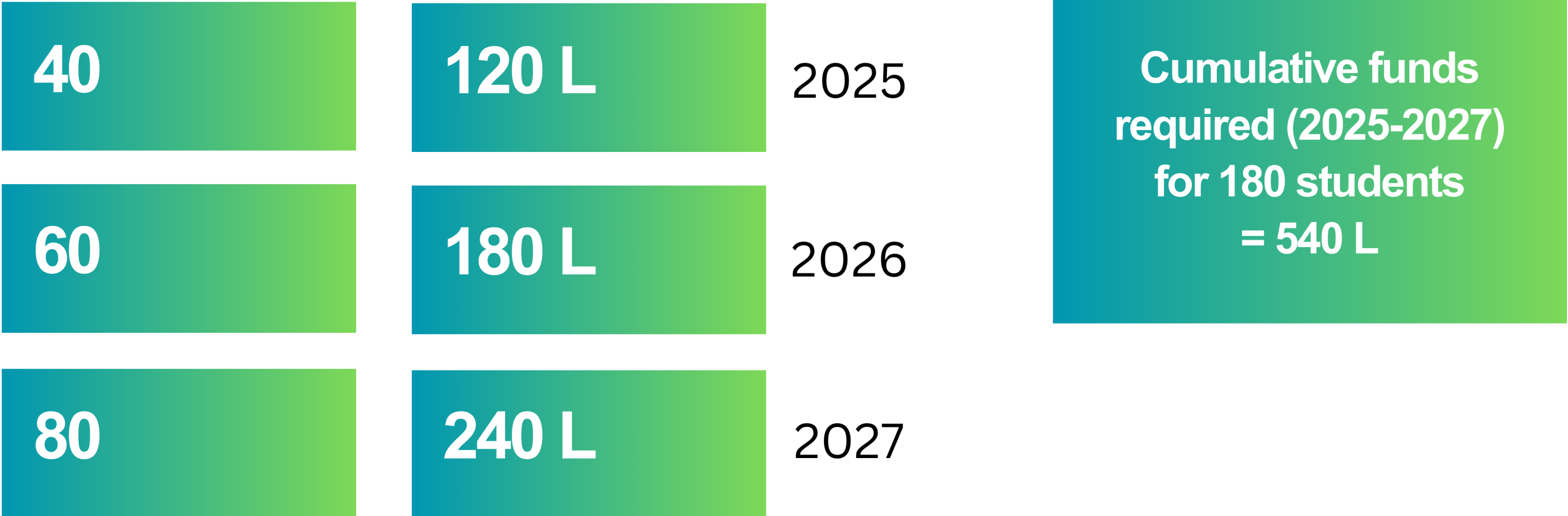
BNA's unwavering support from the beginning is the sole reason I'm now among the top minds at a prestigious college.

Anshita, NLU Jodhpur

ROADMAP | Funding our way to success

1.5 L + 1.5 L

Program cost per student and an additional financial aid cost allocated to each student going toward their **college fees**



Cumulative funds required (2025-2027) for 180 students = 540 L

Batch size Funds required (Program cost + Base scholarships)



Next Big Goal: Launching the first All-India Cohort with 60+ Batch size



Milestone: Outreach and access support by the Ministry of Education from last 2 years

JOIN THE IMPACT

“The progress of any society depends on the progress of education in that society.”

– Dr. B. R. Ambedkar

“My journey from being a child in an impoverished village to studying in some of the finest institutions has been immensely satisfying, and I refuse to remain the ‘chosen one’. I am committed to empowering our youth from the margins to rise and reach high places.” – With gratitude, Anoop Maurya

We invite you to support this vital mission by contributing much-needed financial and social resources.