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LGT Venture Philanthropy strengthens partnership with Rocket Learning to advance early childhood development through government systems in India

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LGT Venture Philanthropy (LGT VP) is pleased to announce the continuation of its partnership with Rocket Learning, one of India's leading organisations advancing equitable access to quality early childhood development through government systems.

Building on a successful first year of collaboration, the renewed multi-year partnership will support Rocket Learning in strengthening public early childhood development systems, expanding integrated services for children from birth to age six, and embedding sustainable approaches within government infrastructure.

Rocket Learning works through India's extensive Anganwadi network, equipping frontline workers and parents with research-backed, technology-enabled tools to improve early learning and school readiness. Today, the organisation operates in one in every three Anganwadi centres across India, reaching six million children directly while supporting governments to strengthen early childhood education at scale.

The renewed partnership reflects LGT VP's commitment to strengthening organisations that can drive lasting systems change and improve outcomes for children through close collaboration with governments. The partnership also supports Rocket Learning's role within SIRA, LGT VP's collaborative initiative that brings together partners across health, nutrition and early childhood development to create an integrated continuum of care for children during their first six years of life. Through SIRA, Rocket Learning is helping to strengthen early learning and responsive caregiving while collaborating with complementary partners to deliver more holistic support for young children and their families.

Over the coming years, the partnership will focus on strengthening government ownership of high-quality early learning programmes; expanding integrated support for children from birth to age six through collaboration with ecosystem partners; enhancing Rocket Learning's organisational capacity, operational systems and technology to enable sustainable scale; and advancing evidence generation and knowledge sharing to strengthen India's early childhood development ecosystem.

Reflecting on the renewed partnership, Supriya Balakrishnan, Investment Director and India Head at LGT Venture Philanthropy, said: *"Our partnership with Rocket Learning is rooted in a shared ambition to transform early childhood development in India at scale. Through visionary leadership and innovative use of technology and government partnerships, Rocket Learning is demonstrating what it takes to move beyond*

individual interventions to create lasting, system-wide change. We are proud to deepen our partnership and support this transformative journey."

Azeez Gupta, Co-Founder, Rocket Learning, said:
"LGT Venture Philanthropy and Rocket Learning's partnership reflects a shared commitment to ensuring that every child has the strongest possible start in life. Together with LGT VP and the SIRA Collaborative, we are building on this commitment by advancing more integrated approaches to early childhood development and generating insights that can inform and inspire efforts to improve lifelong outcomes for young children and their caregivers – across India and the Global South."

LGT Venture Philanthropy (LGT VP) is an independent charitable foundation established in 2007 with partners in Switzerland, Sub-Saharan Africa and India. The Foundation strives to improve the quality of life of people facing disadvantages, contribute to healthy ecosystems, and build resilient, inclusive and prosperous communities. LGT VP focuses on strengthening the capabilities of locally rooted organisations that deliver effective, scalable solutions across health, education and the environment, contributing directly to the SDGs. For more information, please visit www.lgtvp.com.

Rocket Learning is one of India's largest early learning non-profits, focused on transforming early childhood and foundational learning outcomes at scale. Eighty-five percent of brain development happens before the age of six, making early learning critically important. By leveraging technology, behavioural insights and strong government partnerships, Rocket Learning empowers parents, teachers and frontline educators to drive measurable improvements in children's learning. Working directly with government systems across 15 states and union territories and more than 200 districts, the organisation has, since 2020, impacted six million children from birth to six years of age across more than 500,000 classrooms, and engaged 400,000 Anganwadi educators. Through responsible use of AI and digital innovation, Rocket Learning is striving to make quality early education accessible, inclusive and effective for every child, with the aim of positively impacting 50 million underserved children by 2030. For further details, please visit www.rocketlearning.org.