



January – June 2014

MEWAT RURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM (MREP)

SRF Foundation conquers 'Inter NGO Sports Meet'

SRF Foundation was crowned as the 'Overall NGO Winner Award' consecutively for the second time at 'Inter NGO Sports Meet' held at Airforce Sports Complex on 1st February 2014. Organized and conducted by 'Concern India Foundation' alongside 'The Athletics Federation of India (AFI)' the event provided a platform to 600 students from 22 NGO's to showcase their sports talent.

22 students of Mewat, selected among their peers, participated in the event under 'Mewat Rural Education program.' With team's stellar performance, the foundation won 7 gold and 10 silver medals and also bagged 'Best Female Athlete Award'.



Academic Mela – Celebrating the changing Mewat

To celebrate the academic development in Mewat, SRF Foundation in collaboration with the Government of Haryana, Department of Education, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), and Mewat Development Agency (MDA) conducted an 'Academic Mela' at Firozpur Namak Government School under the Mewat Rural Education Program (MREP) bringing 47 schools of 19 villages of Nuh Block, Mewat District under one roof; showcasing the village wise sheer talent, best practices and vision of the respective students. The event witnessed active participation of the students, teachers and vidya volunteers.

Government of Haryana presents 'Appreciation Plaque' to SRF Foundation

In recognition to our Mewat Rural Education Program, Government of Haryana appreciated the efforts of SRF Foundation for its contributions in the field of school education at Mewat and Bhiwani.

At a function organized in Gurgaon on 5th February 2014, Mr. Bhupinder Singh Hooda, Chief Minister - Haryana flanked by Mrs. Geeta Bhukkal, Education Minister, Mrs. Surina Rajan IAS, Principal Secretary - School Education, Mr. D. Suresh IAS, Director General – Elementary Education, Mr. Chander Shekhar IAS, Director – Secondary Education, presented an 'Appreciation Plaque' to Director SRF Foundation and his team.



Two major awards in six months provide testimony to efforts of SRF Foundation

SRF Foundation carrying forward the ethos of late Mrs. Maju Bharat Ram, has worked relentlessly for a flawless education system, addressing it at the ground level. For its innovative CSR efforts at Mewat, SRF Foundation bagged “**3rd Annual Greentech CSR Award -2013**”. Dr. Bhaskar Chatterjee, D.G. & C.E.O., Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India and Shri Kamaleshwar Sharan, President, Greentech Foundation presented this award to Dr. Reddy, Director - SRF Foundation.



SRF Foundation bagged yet another prestigious “**Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya Award**” for Best CSR Practices in Education – 2014 on June 6, 2014. The jury panel was headed by Justice (Retd.) M.S.A. Siddiqui, Chairman, National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions, Govt. of India, flanked Mr. Shakti Sinha, a prominent orator at IAS Training Centre, Policy Research Group, and other institution, and Mr Harish Chandra, COO, CSR Times handed over the award to the Director – SRF Foundation.



Building and nurturing the first generation education in Mewat, the recent awards and appreciation bring testament to the efforts and initiatives of the foundation. Mewat has gradually caught its pace in educational transformation by revolutionizing primary and middle school standards, ultimately filling up the vacuum of quality education for all.



Udaan – residential programme 2nd Batch

The second batch of Udaan came to conclusion after heartfelt ceremony. 100 girls who were either never introduced to school education or were early dropouts, successfully graduated from the yearlong residential programme. Graduated girls will be enrolled into regular schools, admitted into their respective age appropriate class.

MEWAT RURAL VOCATIONAL PROGRAM (MRVP)

Basic Electrician Training program: commencement of 5th batch

With successful graduation of four batches; on 1st March 2014, the 5th batch of Basic Electrician Training Program started with strength of 25 eligible learners and this training will continue for next 4 months. This training program is dedicated to shape the lives of the rural youth through giving hands on experience in Electrical Trade.



Spoken English program (Teach India):

The hard work and sheer determination to learn and carve a path to better future, led 17 students from Teach India- Spoken English teaching program to appear in a Job fair conducted by Times of India in Delhi on 28th May 2014. With their outstanding performance 15 students out of 17 bagged job offers from leading multi-national companies i.e., Aegis, Pizza Hut, BMA Wealth etc. SRF Foundation wishes them a life full of success and new benchmarks ahead.

ENHANCING EARLY EDUCATION PROGRAM (3EP)

The batch of July-December 2013 students completed the course by taking their final evaluation in December 2013.

The 3EP Facilitators conducted 9 modules in Service Teacher Training programme, for the teachers of The Shri Early Years, Chapters International and Eduvedaa from the month of December 2013 -January 2014.



CORPORATE CITIZENSHIP

Launch of school bus for girls at Dahej:

Non-availability of the high schools in villages often leads to the drop-out of the girl child after the primary education. To deal with this issue in the surrounding villages near its factory at Dahej, SRF extended one staff bus for school children, especially girls, to commute from Suva & Jolva village to the nearby Dahej high school, 12 kms away. This has improved the regularity and retention of girl students in the high schools as compared to the previous years.



CSR Champions- workshop

Two-day workshop on “CSR at SRF – Planning for 2014-15” was conducted on 19th and 20th March, 2014 at SRF HO – Gurgaon, for the identified CSR Champions at SRF Indian plant locations. The workshop objective was to make the CSR Champions familiar with Concept of CSR as per Section 135 of Companies Act 2013. A study on SRF Foundation’s on-going efforts at Mewat was carried out, to better understand the planning and execution of programs in the project community.

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