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Miss India Aditi Arya visit: As part of NDTV-Coca-Cola Support My School (SMS) Campaign in collaboration with Foundation at Mewat, Miss India Aditi Arya paid a visit on 20th Oct. to S.P. Nangli Govt. School Mewat, Haryana. She interacted with the students and took stock of the facilities within the school. Talking to students, she emphasized on girl education and motivated the students to strive and achieve their dreams. SMS Campaign ensures that students have access to drinking water, clean toilets, and playground, library and science labs in Govt. Schools.



October-December 2015



SRF Foundation at Coca-Cola -NDTV Telethon 2015: The

efforts and contribution of SRF Foundation were acknowledged along with other partners at Support My School (SMS) Coca-Cola -NDTV Telethon in Mumbai on 29th November. Ronak Ali- a student, Headmaster Rahees Khan and Sarpanch Juhurdeen from Mewat and Dr. Suresh Reddy, Director SRF Foundation were invited to the event and felicitated for being inspiration to millions and supporting the cause of education. So far the SRF Foundation's collaboration with its partners has impacted around 12000

students of 34 schools in Haryana and Madhya Pradesh.

Swachh Vidyalaya Program: It aims at five areas namely Attendance and Regularity, School Campus Cleanliness, Health and Hygiene, Discipline and Utilization of Resources, which will ensure all round development of a student during formative years. Swachhta Committee of 15 students have been formed which looks around and monitor the five areas. The Program has become a part of 47 schools comprising 15,000 odd students from 19 villages of Mewat, Haryana. The Program also aims at instilling leadership qualities in the students and also to develop an instinct to take initiative for different causes.



Mad About Environment: The Shri Ram School Aravali conducted a one-day event called Mad About Environment (MAE). With the rising temperature levels of the planet and pollution, the event was focused on environment. Interesting and inspirational displays and models ranging from renewable energy to futuristic food were presented by the students. SRF Foundation turned it into an opportunity for Govt. Middle School teachers and DIET faculty who got exposed to mind boggling displays and innovative teaching



methods of scientific concepts. SRF Foundation's TTS-MS Program encourages and supports science education in Middle schools.



was highlight of the event.

TSPPS –New Campus Inauguration: The Shri Ram Police Public School (TSPPS) Building was inaugurated by Mr.Yashpal Singal - DGP Haryana Police, in presence of Mr Arun Bharat Ram, Chairman –SRF Foundation and The Shri Ram Schools. The school is a joint venture of SRF Foundation and Dept. of Police Haryana. The school follows CBSE pattern and reserves 50% seats for police wards and remaining 50% for general public. The students put on a cultural show depicting the evolution of the education system in India from ancient to modern times, which

Faraday Science Program: Lead by Institution of Engineering and Technology, which encourages young people to study science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The two-day workshop held on 19-20th November on Teacher's Professional Development was conducted by SRF Foundation and IET which was attended by teachers from M.P. and Haryana. Faraday Science Program intends to provide free-of-cost teaching resources along with teacher enrichment programs to the school teachers. The idea behind STEM is to



scientifically analyse an issue and integrate science and technology to look locally and efficiently for solutions around.



Teacher Empowerment Workshop held: A Master Trainer Group has come up comprising 26 teachers from 47 schools of 19 Mewat Rural Education Program (MREP) villages. This Resource Group in turn, will transfer skills to other teachers in their respective schools locally. The Training is aimed at enhancing teaching capacity in order to increase Learning Level Outcome (LLO), which took place on 9th Dec. at Govt. Middle School S.P. Nangli. With the skills of a Master Trainer, the resource persons will support teachers and try to address issues locally with their

expertise. This could be made possible due to efforts of SRF Foundation, Education Dept. and Govt. of Haryana.

Teachers Try Science to Middle Schools (TTS-MS)

TTS-MS extended its reach from 15 teachers and 315 schools in first edition to 50 teachers and 1050 schools in the second edition. The training was held on 8th December at SCERT Gurgaon and is being supported by SRF Foundation in collaboration with IBM India and SCERT Haryana. To make science a way of life for children and to encourage practical learning, SRF Foundation intends to extend to such projects in the future support 23rd District and Block-level Science Exhibition was held where all the TTS-MS schools from 21 districts participated. The students exhibited models and also performed drama before the audience.





Enhancing Early Education Program-The July-December 2015 batch has completed a four week internship at The Shri Ram Schools in the month of November. The objective of the internship was to allow trainees to learn to plan, execute and reflect on their lessons. They are now preparing for their final exams which are a befitting closure to the six month journey.

New batch started 3EP welcomed aspiring teachers for the November-May 2015-16 batch. After an enriching one month theory of introduction to early childhood education, they are now in the first phase of internship in the pre-primary classrooms in eminent schools of Gurgaon.

3EP extends support to village teachers: Enhancing Early Education has supported an NGO, Vidya Roshan Charitable Trust at Village Basai Sec 9 Gurgaon, by designing and conducting a 3 month nursery teacher training course for 30 girls from nearby villages to work in their neighborhood schools. The objective of the program was to empower young girls with knowledge and skills to become effective teachers in the foundation years.





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CSR Action in Thailand: Members of Technical Textile Business (TTB) and Packaging Films Business (PFB) joined hands to improve school life of young children in a neighbouring Govt. School at Watmapchalood, Thailand. Unlike earlier times, this time the members picked up hammer-nail and paint brushes instead of donations. The team repaired Classroom furniture and doors and painted them. Though the work was planned for a day on 2nd October but it had to be extended to another day due to amount of work involved. The aim was to improve infrastructure of the school and to add to

TSRS lends a hand to Chennai-flood victims: In response to the devastating floods, The Shri Ram School teachers, students and parents came together to collect relief material for flood victims. The initiative was termed as "Shri Udayam", where material was collected, packed by the students and teachers in cartons. Uday Foundation and Banyan Tree Trust, Chennai helped in reaching out to the victims and provided them with relief material.





Special Classes making a difference: Special Coaching Classes for students of 10th and 12th Standard of Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School and Govt. Boys Higher Secondary School Gummidipoondi, Chennai has been started by Technical Textile Business, Tamil Nadu. Same Program is also in place at Government Boys Higher Secondary School, Viralimalai. The Program is a TTB Viralimalai CSR initiative. The aim of the initiative is to improve the overall result and to increase the pass-out percentage in board exams. The current batch which started

in December 2015 will run till March 2016.

Mewat Boys triumph at State-level Sports Meet: 29th

State-level Primary Sports meet was held at Rao Tularam Stadium in Haryana. 2800 students hailing from 21 districts of Haryana participated, out of which 50 were from Mewat Schools. Munfid Ahmad of Govt. School Rithoda secured 2nd place in 200 metres while in a team effort Munfid, Sahil, Suhail and Nizam secured 3rd position in 100x4 Relay. These students belong to Mewat Rural Education Program (MREP) supported by SRF Foundation which believes that sports and games are necessary for overall development of a child,



supports them with sport equipment and favourable playing environment.



IBM Kidsmart Teacher Training: The 2nd phase of IBM-Kidsmart teacher training was conducted for a total of 8 locations in Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh. 35 teachers underwent training in Madhya Pradesh on 26th-27th November, while 15 teachers were trained in Gujarat from 17th-19th December. The teacher training was focussed on 3 corner model approach which comprises of: technology, reading and craft. The model eventually helps in aiding classroom teaching.

SMS Season-5: With successful implementation of Coca-Cola-NDTV Support My School (SMS) Campaign Season-2, 3 and 4 in collaboration with UN Habitat, TetraPak and Enrich Agro. Under Season-5, the reach will expand to 18 more schools -9 in Indore and Gwalior (M.P.) and 9 in Mewat (Haryana). SMS along with SRF Foundation and partners aims at revitalizing schools with 4 components- toilets, drinking water, library and playground & sport facilities. Till now, it has impacted 12000 students, 8500 parents and 120 SMC members while Season-5 aims at impacting 3900 students, 94 teachers and 45 SMC members.





Inauguration of toilet and drinking water facility: School infrastructure development is one of the focus areas under our education program. As part of this, construction of new toilet blocks and drinking water facility (one each for boys and girls) was undertaken at Govt. High School, Jhiwana, Bhiwadi. It was inaugurated on 8th December 2015 jointly by Dr. Rajbir Singh from SRF and Mr. Titu - Pramukh Block Panchayat Samiti in the presence of village sarpanch, school officials, students and the community.

Refresher Teachers' Training: As part of quality improvement for education in the Govt. schools, a 5 days teachers' training program was organized for the Govt. teachers of all the 12 supported schools at Bhiwadi during Diwali holidays from 2nd to 6th November. The training was organized in collaboration with Sarv Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and District Institute of Education and Training (DIET), Alwar. Total 15 teachers attended the training on the concepts of Math, Hindi Language, TLM development, role plays, preparation of lesson plan and daily record.





School Health Check-up Camp: As part of regular school health program, a children's health check-up camp was organized at Govt. Primary School, Banban on 15th October with support from Primary Health Centre (PHC), Jhiwana. The camp benefited a total of 96 pre- identified children who were diagnosed with various seasonal and viral infections. Immunization of children and expectant mothers was also done along with the blood tests for diagnosing malaria. The facility in the camp was extended by the Medical Officer Mr. Vijender Meena, along with availability of free medicines.

Immunization Camp: As part of the community health program, an Immunization camp was organized at Jhiwana village on 30th December with support from Health Department. The special camp was organized to immunize the left out children and expectant mothers in the nearby project villages which came into light during our door-to-door base line survey in the month of November to map the status of institutional delivery and immunization among children and expectant mothers in village Banban and Jhiwana. The report of the same was shared with the CMHO, Tijara block also and this special camp



was result of the same. A total of 144 beneficiaries (120 Children and 23 pregnant ladies) were immunized during the camp.



Observation of World AIDS Day: On 1st December, World AIDS Day was observed at Bhiwadi with focus on awareness and sensitization among the general community. The program was organized in collaboration with the Integrated Counselling and Testing Centre (ICTC) and a local NGO implementing "Target Intervention", a strategy of Rajasthan State AIDS Control Society (RSACS) to control prevalence of AIDS. Street plays, Voluntary HIV testing of 135 people and display and distribution of awareness materials, were the activities undertaken.

Development of School infrastructure:

Development of school infrastructure and beautification is also one of the focus areas of our primary education program and many integrated projects have been undertaken in this regard both at Bhiwadi and Dahej. Based on the need identification, school infrastructure development work were undertaken at 4 Primary schools in Dahej and Bhiwadi. Under it, school grounds have been developed with garden and swings and play equipment have been installed, while renovation of the school building and BALA painting work is underway.





Teachers felicitated: 36 teachers of Higher Secondary School - Village Vadugapatti — Viralimalai, were presented with mementoes by Mr. Chandrashekhar M., Plant Head SRF Trichy, R. Anbarasu and CSR Council for their efforts and commitment towards the students on the occasion of Annual Day function held on 6th January'16 at School. The 10th and 12th results were a testimony to the hard work that teachers put in along with students to achieve such results.

Students of Class 10th and 12th were presented with notebooks at the occasion.

Kabaddi Tournament Organized: The 3rd Inter School Kabaddi Tournament was organized jointly by SRF Foundation and JR Polytechnic on 8th January'16 at JR Polytechnic premises, Alandur, Trichy. 38 Kabaddi teams from various schools from surrounding villages participated in the SRF Foundation guided Rural Sports Promotion project organized by CSR Council, Trichy. Mr. Chandrashekhar Plant Head, Trichy gave away the trophies, certificates aand prizes to winners and runners up under various age groups.



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