



July-September 2016

## Mewat Rural Education Programme (MREP)

### Dedicating Oneself for the Cause of Girl Child Education in Mewat

23<sup>rd</sup> of September, 2016, was a big day for the fourth batch of Udaan as on this day Additional Chief Secretary & Principal Secretary School Education, Govt. of Haryana, Mr. P. K. Das, the Chief Guest for the event, along with Dr. Suresh Reddy, Director SRF Foundation, Mr. Rajan Bahadur, CEO and Ms. Suman Sachdeva, Technical Director – Education, from CARE India and Mr. Rajesh Singhi, Director IBTADA, officially dedicated the new and permanent building structure of the special training center. Mr. Das unveiled the Udaan Center Dedication Board and marked his signatures on the pledge board, committing himself to the cause of girl child education in Mewat. To mark the day on a greener note, plantation was done by all the guests.



### Mewat Schools Triumph at District-level Sports Meet

From 22<sup>nd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August, district level sports meet was organised at GSSS Nuh. The event saw the participation of 15 schools from Mewat in which seven were from our Mewat Rural Education Programme (MREP) schools. Both the boys and girls won laurels in different sports and competitions like kabaddi, kho-kho, hand ball, 100, 200, 400 and 800 meter race, long jump and wrestling. At SRF Foundation which believe that sports and games are necessary for overall development of a child, hence we support them with sport equipment and favourable playing environment.





## Indian Oil Corporation Limited Officials Visits SRF Foundation's CSR Sites

As a part of their one month training on CSR at Management Development Institute (MDI) Gurgaon, 40 officials from Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) visited SRF Foundation's CSR sites on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2015, led by Dr. Rupamanjari, Professor of Economics at MDI. The team took a tour of the infrastructural and academic interventions initiated by the Foundation in GMS S.P. Nangli and Kherla, facilities and functions of Avishkar Mobile S-science Van, Udaan- Girls Residential Special Training Center (STC) and Rahat - Low Cost Sanitary Napkin Project site. The team highly applauded the development of leadership quality and confidence in the students and the involvement of the community at various levels to sustain the projects.



## 21 Representatives from 18 Countries Visit SRF Foundation

On 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2016, 21 working executives from 18 countries visited Mewat to observe the holistic education transformation model initiated in the school by the Foundation and replicate the learnings in their countries. The visit was organised by International Management Institute (IMI). The representatives observed infrastructural facilities and academic transformation under Mewat Rural Education Programme (MREP) and Mewat Rural Vocational Programme (MRVP) and presented an evaluation report. The highlight of the day was when a few of the representatives tried their skills at our traditional game of 'Kho-Kho' and played with the students of the school.



## SRF Bhiwadi CSR Council Members' Exposure Visit at Mewat

On 24<sup>th</sup> August 2016, 15 SRF Bhiwadi CSR Council members visited Mewat to understand and learn synergy of the successful models of the Foundation and replicate it in their area. The members took a tour of the infrastructural upgrades like construction of toilets, safe drinking water, library, science lab, BALA paintings and levelling of ground initiated in GHS Tapkan and GPS Biwan. The team closely observed each component, interacted with children, head master, 'Bhamasha' of Biwan village and the community to understand the importance of headmaster leadership, collaborations with the local panchayat and community involvement for a sustainable change. The members also visited the Basic Electrician Training Programme (BETP) and Spoken English center.





## Three Day Induction Training of Mahila Abhivruddhi Society (MAS) Members

From 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 a three day induction was organised for seven members of Mahila Abhivruddhi Society (MAS). The objective of the induction was to share the best practices of Mewat Rural Education Programme (MREP) and Mewat Rural Vocational Programme (MRVP) and help them replicate the same in their area of intervention. During their field visit, the team had an intensive discussion with the Headmasters, local leaders, SMC members, teachers, students, our field team and instructors to have a first-hand experience of the ground reality and the impact of the interventions.



## Training the Teachers Today, for a Better Tomorrow

On 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016, MREP in collaboration with Haryana Education Department started 'Academic Enrichment Programme' for increasing the quality of students learning and development of 21<sup>st</sup> century teaching skills in teachers. Under this programme, all primary teachers from a cluster of 47 government schools of Mewat will be given class wise and subject wise trainings on monthly basis till 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2017. Subject experts from The Shri Ram Schools are also involved in the programme as resource persons. The programme is impacting 13,000 children and 297 teachers.



## Mewat Rural Vocational Programme (MRVP)

### Skilling Youth at Mewat, Haryana

On 20<sup>th</sup> September, 14 certified students of 17<sup>th</sup> Batch of Spoken English Program took part in Job Fair in Delhi out of which 12 students got placed in BPO and Hospitality sector companies like Awaken, Home Credit, Café Coffee Day, etc. with an average salary of Rs. 13k per month. With an objective to maximize the livelihood potential of the youth of Mewat, SRF Foundation started Spoken English Programme in collaboration with the Times of India. The programme has been operational since 2010 and has trained more than 1200 students.





# Teachers Try Science to Middle School (TTS-MS)

## Making Science More 'Fun' in Gwalior

SRF Foundation in collaboration with SSA/RMSA Gwalior and IBM India launched Teachers Try Science (TTS) training Program as pilot project in 30 government schools of Gwalior district on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2016. The program aims to give training to 30 Science teachers in order to promote the Science education amongst students through innovations and creativity by using low-cost, no-cost and re-cycle material. The event was graced by the presence of Chief Guest Sh. Neeraj Kumar - IAS, CEO, Zila Panchayat and Sh. R. K Upadhayay – Principal of B.Ed College, Ex-DEO and Director, Sh. Upender Bhidey - Principal DIET Gwalior, Sh. Shyam Bihari Ojha - APC, SSA/RMSA and Dr. Suresh Reddy – Director, SRF Foundation.



## STEM Summit at NCERT Delhi

From 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> July 2016, an 'International STEM Summit' was organized by IBM at CIET, NCERT Delhi. The summit aimed to empower teachers with project-based STEM lessons and teaching strategies to help inspire students in pursuing careers in STEM. Michaela Labriole, Manager of Special Projects at the New York Hall of Science, a global partner for Teachers Try Science, conducted two days in-depth training for teachers on the same. SCERT, Gurgaon faculty, DIET faculty and Science teachers from Teachers Try Science program schools in Haryana and Madhya Pradesh attended the summit.



## Launched: Volume II of Science Activity Manual

This quarter also saw the launch of Volume II of the Science Activity Manual developed in collaboration with SCERT, DIETs and faculty of government schools of Haryana and IBM under Teachers Try Science to Middle School (TTS-MS) programme. The USP of the manual is that it provides 100 techniques and experiments of teaching Science by using low-cost, no-cost and re-cycle material. Volume I was launched in January, this year which contained 90 such experiments. TTS-MS program is operational in 1050 schools in Haryana and 30 schools in Gwalior reaching out to around 2 lakh students.





## Enhancing Early Education Programme (3EP)

### Passing on the Light of Knowledge Since Nine Years

The month of August saw the convocation of 56 trainees of Enhancing Early Education Programme (3EP) July-December 2015 and November-May 2015-16 batch. The successful completion of the course has opened a world of opportunities for our graduates, mostly of whom are successfully placed in leading schools of Delhi and NCR like: The Shri Ram Schools, Shikshantar, Kunskapsskolan, Manav Rachna to name a few. Also, July-December batch with 26 enthusiastic trainees has already kicked start in the first week of July who together will understand and enter the world of Early Childhood Education.



### Enhancing and Enriching Teachers of the New Era

Enhancing Early Education Programme (3EP) in collaboration with Roop Automotives, is facilitating **Enhancing Learning Outcome Programme** at Roj Ka Meo Govt. Primary School (Mewat). It is a specifically designed curriculum to help teachers in the school with enriching activities to promote the learning outcomes of the children in their class. Also an **Enhancing English Language Programme** for the English teachers of the Govt. Senior Secondary Schools of Mewat has been initiated to empower them with techniques and strategies to take the spoken language skills into their classroom.



## The Shri Ram Schools and The Shri Ram Police Public School

### TSRS Student Creates an App for Para-Athletes

The fever of Olympics Games in Rio was at its highest this year but only a few talked about Paralympic Games. Addressing the issue and to give the athletes their due credit, Arhan, a 17 years old boy studying in The Shri Ram School, DLF Phase III, created an application to spread awareness about the para-athletes owing to the lack of information in the nation on the same. His application also provided information for the paralympians like disability-friendly hangout spots in Rio and also tips on nutrition. To read more [click here](#).



## Support Staff of TSPPS Go Digital



Students of class IX from The Shri Ram Police Public School (TSPPS) have taken it upon themselves to make the support staff of the school computer literate. They are devoting an hour every week to teach their 'didis' and 'bhaiyas' the basic skills required to work on a computer. The students have even prepared modules to teach Basic English to them. This decision of the children have been welcomed by one and all in the school management. The enthusiasm of the trainers and the learners is palpable and we are proud to have nurtured such thoughtful children.

## CSR at Plant Locations

### IBM KidSmart Teacher Training Second Phase

The second phase of three days IBM-KidSmart teacher training was conducted for 15 primary teachers from Viralimalai and Goondipoondi in Government Primary School of Vellur village, Tamil Nadu from 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August. The teacher training was focussed on three corner model approach which comprises of: technology, reading and craft. District Education Officials Mrs. Pon Alagu (BEO) and Mr. James (BEO) and the Plant head along with the CSR council members of SRF Viralimalai proactively participated in the programme and motivated the teachers. The programme was successfully completed equipping the teachers with exposure of ICT at pre-primary level and new methodologies, impacting their regular classroom teaching – learning process.



### SRF CSR Initiatives at Plant Locations

Carrying the CSR mandate of SRF at plant locations, CSR Councils supported by SRF Foundation are actively putting in their efforts in the nearby communities. 'Model School Project' has been initiated at [SRF Dahej](#) where visits to the schools, meetings with the SMC members to access the needs and development of collaborative matrix have been successfully achieved from 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> September. At [SRF Kashipur](#) our team did intervention in the Govt. Primary School of Manpur village and constructed toilets and drinking water facility for the children. At [SRF Indore](#) and [Gwalior](#) plant locations great progress has been made in the ongoing Support My School Programme Season – 5. At Gwalior, in Malanpur school, land filling and plantation has been completed with new borewell connection and in Soni village, old structures has been demolished to make way for new classrooms. While at Indore, Sagore village, construction of boundary wall, new classrooms, BALA paintings and ground levelling are in process. In Mandlawada village of Indore, water proofing of roofs are under process. As a part of [SRF Manali](#) CSR initiative, one month training programme on "Fork Lift Operation & Maintenance" was conducted from 29<sup>th</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> August, at the premises of V. Ramakrishna Polytechnic, Chennai. Under the Affirmative Action scheme, 15 persons belonging to SC/ST category received this training. Also, a new CSR Council has been formed in [SRF Bhiwadi](#) promising quality interventions in the nearby communities.





## Partnerships and CSR

### Capgemini “School Adoption Project” – A New Venture

The “School Adoption Project” was initiated in collaboration with Capgemini and Dept. of Education of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu aiming at holistic transformation of 20 govt. schools of Chennai and Bangalore locations. A planning meeting with the head master and the CEO and DEO of Education Dept. was held in Chennai for the same. Apart from this, ‘Project Akshara’ was inaugurated by Mr. Srinivas Kandula, CEO, Capgemini India with participation of Dr. Suresh Reddy, Director, SRF Foundation and representatives from both the companies. The project aims to reach out to 12,000 students of 60 schools in Bangalore and 14,868 students from 60 schools in Chennai by providing them with notebooks. In continuation school visits, meetings with the SMC members and development of collaborative matrix has been successfully completed in both the locations from 20<sup>th</sup> August to 2<sup>nd</sup> September and from 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> September, respectively.



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