



January - March 2017

Mewat Rural Education Programme (MREP)

Promoting Co-curricular Activities Along with Academics

Participation in co-curricular activities as well as cultural programs apart from academics, play an important role in the wholistic development of a child. In keeping with this idea, SRF Foundation under its Mewat Rural Education Programme (MREP) provided indoor and outdoor sports material as well as musical instruments in all the 40 schools of 19 villages in Nuh, Mewat. This initiative will help in making every Saturday a more 'Joyful Activity Day' for all our children. There will also be an orientation program for the teachers for optimum utilization of the provded resources.







Launch of TiFO - An English Language Program

On 20th January, Mr. Shantanu, Director, Discovery Club, did an orientation program on 'TiFO English Lab' with English teachers of Salamba, Kherla, B.A. Pur and Sonkh aiming at developing Basic English Language skills for primary and middle School students. He oriented the teachers on different activity based teaching processes which will help enhance the vocabulary among students through the ear and tongue training. The four month long program will help enhance Basic English Language among the students.







15 Executives from Rotman School of Management Visit Nuh

On 28th March, 15 working executives of Omnium Global Executive MBA program from Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto, visited Nuh to observe the holistic education transformation model initiated in the school by the Foundation. The visit was organised by of International Management Institute (IMI). The representatives observed infrastructural facilities and academic transformation under Mewat Rural Education Programme (MREP) and Mewat Rural Vocational Programme (MRVP).







Nuh Trumps Again in Inter-NGO Sports Competition

On 11th February, Concern India Foundation organized Intern NGO Sports Meet at Air Force Ground, Delhi, designed to give an exposure to children to develop their overall personality and team spirit towards their holistic growth and development. Here 500 children from 18 NGOs participated, out of which 20 students were from SRF Foundation's program schools in Nuh and Bhiwadi. During the sports meet they won 15 Medals, while two of our children from Nuh, won the 'Best Athlete' Trophy under 9-11 boys category and 12-14 boys category.







'Udaan' on a Technological Flight with Team4Tech

Towards the end of February, a seven day training program was organized on Information and Technology for Udaan facilitators and teachers by 2 members from Team4Tech USA and 10 members from VMware Foundation at Udaan – Girl's Residential Special Training Centre (STC). The objective of the training was to build the capacities of the teachers and the facilitators in basic computer knowledge like use of Microsoft Office and internet so as to bring innovation in their classroom teachings.







Mewat Rural Vocational Programme (MRVP)

Introducing New Basic Computer Training Course in Nuh, Mewat

From 1st of January, SRF Foundation introduced a new 'Basic Computer Training' course under its Mewat Rural Vocational Programme (MRVP) which is also free of cost! The three month long course will focus on training the youth in the basic working of a computer and optimum use of internet. This course will be an added qualification for the Basic Electrician Training Programme (BETP) and Spoken English programme students and will open new doors for them for better job opportunities. Currently two batches are running in the center with 40 students.







Teachers Try Science to Middle School (TTS-MS)

Training and Annual Review of Science Promotion at SCERT

On 20th February, annual review and training program on STEM based Science education promotion was held at State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) Gurgaon. There were three sessions of training – feedback, Chemistry, and annual review of the program. The basic objective of the program was to create innovative ideas and develop mutual sharing of Science education to every child hence encouraging the interactive teaching of Science in a more holistic and hands-on approach.







Science Teacher's Exposure cum Orientation Visit at SRF Gwalior

On 22nd February, SRF Gwalior CSR Team had organized an industrial visit for 30 Government school Science Teachers of Teacher Try Science program working in association with IBM and Education Department of Madhya Pradesh. During the visit Mr. Rakesh Tiwari, HR Manager and CSR Champion of the plant, explained Foundation's CSR initiatives in Madhya Pradesh and collaborations with Government. Apart from that he also oriented them about the 5S technique that can be used in the program schools to build capacities of the teachers and children.







Enhancing Early Education Programme (3EP)

Launched! English Handbook for Enhancing English Language in Mewat

Twelve weeks long Enhancing English Language Program (EELP) organised for English subject teachers of Mewat concluded with convocation ceremony at Mini Secretariat Nuh on 16th March. Dr. D. Suresh IAS, Commissioner – Gurgaon Division, the Chief Guest, Mr. Maniram Sharma IAS, Deputy Commissioner – Nuh and Ms. Gnanavathi, DEEO Nuh the Guests of Honour and Dr. Suresh Reddy, Director SRF Foundation, launched an English handbook which will be carried forward by the 42 certified Master Trainers to effectively implement spoken English language skills amongst the students of high and senior secondary schools of Mewat.







The Shri Ram Schools (TSRS)

The Sri Ram School - Creating Future Marvels

This quarter at **The Sri Ram School, Aravali** campus was quite exciting on account of the accomplishments of its students. Kartik Arora, Class 12, developed an app 'Read-4-Me', which enables visually impaired students to hear text being read out using a QR code. Aryan Srivastav, Class 7, developed a battery-operated robot, 'Vaccumate', for cleaning floors. Students of class 6 took part in a Trust Walk in which they were helped by seniors from class 11 to walk as the visually impaired do in order to gain empathy and sensitivity to the challenges faced.

The need for the students of today are experiences beyond the curriculum boundaries that apply to the real world and the requisite skills to navigate through them. Mindful of the above, The Sri Ram School, Vasant Vihar, introduced Ted-Ed club for students of Class V. The objectives of the club is to stimulate and celebrate creative ideas of students, connect them to different backgrounds, cultures and countries around the world and support them in developing presentation and public speaking skills, so that their ideas can be more easily seen, understood and shared.

12-yr-old invents robot-operated vacuum

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As kids and probably even as adults, we have all at some point been curious enough to dismantle electronic devices to understand its mechanics. While some of us might have been reprimanded for it, a parent in Gurugram district of Haryana nurtured their 12-yearold son, Aryan Srivastava's curiosity, who went on to create a battery-operated robot, Vaccumate, for cleaning floors.

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coding lessons," says Aryan.

The idea of a vacuum cleaner that can be operated by a robot underwent several stages of improvisation, after he was enrolled in a Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA) programme in 2016, and was

Partnerships and CSR

CSR Council Meet - Chennai & Bhiwadi

Capacity Building Workshop for CSR Council Members, second in series, was organized for the CSR Council Members from SRF Manali, Goomdipoondi and Viralmalai on 18th January and for CSR Council Members from SRF Indore, Gwalior, Dahej, Kashipur and Bhiwadi on 11th February at Chennai and Bhiwadi respectively. The objective of the workshop was to review the CSR practices carried out by the members around their plant location, discuss ways and means to increase employee engagement, understand the challenges that they are facing while carying CSR programs and provide its best possible solution and orient them on the application of TQM methodology in the CSR projects.





9th CSR Champions Capacity Building Workshop

Our CSR Council and Champions have been doing an excellent job in implementing the CSR mandate of SRF Ltd. at their respective plant locations. With the closing of previous and start of new financial year, it becomes imperative for the entire CSR team to regroup and decide on future plans for the year. In this regard, a day long CSR Capacity Building Workshop for CSR Champions, ninth in series was organized at SRF Head Office, Gurgaon on 27th March. The workshop concluded with the articulation of plans for year 2017-18 and innovative ideas to increase employee engagement.



SRF Foundation and HP Launches "HP World on Wheels" (HP WoW)

It was a moment of 'WoW', wonder and pride for us at SRF Foundation, as we became the flag bearers for launching the first IT enabled digital bus, 'hp World on Wheels (WoW)' one of its kind, at SRF plant location, Bhiwadi, on 6th March. The Chief Guest of this memorable day was Mr. Muktanand Agarwal, Dist. Collector, Alwar, who cut the ribbon and gave our mission a head start. The 'hp WoW' project aims to impact over 45,000 people across 18 villages in Bhiwadi, Rajasthan during the 39-month partnership tenure between SRF Foundation and HP.







Giving Wings to Young Dreams in the World of Books

This quarter the 20 adopted government schools of Chennai and Bangalore location under Capgemini 'School Adoption Project' came up with the most innovative libraries that a school can offer to its students. With the leadership of the headmasters and support from the teachers and students all the schools now flaunt a separate space for the students where they can embark their imagination to a whole new world of fun and knowledge. Their hard work was even appreciated by Capgemini India delegates who came to review their work and reward cash prize to the best two libraries in both the locations.







CSR at Plant Locations

Focusing on the Holistic Development of Students - SRF Gummidipoondi

Promoting Sports

Towards the end of the financial year 2016-17, the CSR Council team of SRF Gummidipoondi organised various events and activities for the holistic development of students around their vicinity. Yoga Competition and Silambam competition was conducted in Government Girls and Boys Higher Secondary School, for which sports items were also handed over to the schools. 125 students participated in these competitions and more than 800 students attended the event. The winners of the competition were also given awards. Apart from this sports cycle were also handed over to the girls of Government Higher Secondary School.







Mass Cleaning Campaign

Moving towards ISR (Individual Social Responsibility) from CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility), a mass cleaning camp was organized at KLK Panchayat Union Primary school, Gummidipoondi on 26th Jan 2017. The campaign was inaugurated by the unit head Mr. Udaya Kumar which saw an active participation from all our CSR Council members and 40 volunteers from TTBT. In an effort to create a more conducive learning environment, this campaign has enabled clean and hygienic environment for the children studying in the school.







Educational Initiatives

As a part of our contribution towards Affirmative Action, scholarships were distributed to 42 SC/ST merit students from classes 6th to 12th standard of Government Girls and Boys Higher Secondary School by unit head Mr. Udaya Kumar on 24th March 2017. With this scholarship the students were encouraged to continue with their further education and pursue their career goals. Also the CSR Council team put in their efforts to renovate Panchayat Primary School, giving 300 students a print rich environment to learn and study.







Developing Strength and Confidence in Students - SRF Viralimamali

Building a Palace of Dreams

As a part of SRF Foundation's Education Development Initiatives, the inauguration of a new renovated Library was held at Government Boys Higher Secondary School, Viralimalai on 28th February'17. The plaque was unveiled jointly by Mr. Murugesan (President of Parent Teacher Association) and Mr. B. Sankar, (Plant Head, TTBV) in the presence of Mr. R. Anbarasu (TL-HR), Mr. A. Senthilkumar (TL- Manufacturing), Teaching Staff and TTBV CSR Council members. The Parent Teacher Association members also contributed Books and Racks for this project.







Promoting Rural Sports

The 4th Inter School Kabbadi Tournament was organized on 6th January'17 at JR Polytechnic premises, Alandur, Trichy as a "Rural Sports Promotion" initiative from SRF Foundation. The event was well coordinated by TTBV CSR Council members with District Amateur Kabbadi Association and JR Polytechnic Staff. 46 Kabbadi teams including 13 teams in Girls category from 26 schools participated in the Tournament. The event was inaugurated by Mr. R. Anbarasu (TL-HR) in the presence of Dr. J. Kalpana, the Principal of JR Polytechnic College.







Ensuring a Better Tomorrow for Students

On 25th February, a session on "How to face Examination without Fear" was organized at Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Vadugapatty. Dr. Sudha, an eminent educationist from Annamalai University, conducted the program and distributed a booklet containing more than 100 tips to score high marks in the examination. It was a great learning experience for 212 girl students who will be facing the crucial plus two examinations in March. Also, a Career Guidance Seminar was organized for 222 girls and 160 boys of Class 12 in January.







Building Competencies as a Part of Affirmative Action

In the month of January, a valedictory session of Computer Training Program was organised for disadvantaged section of population at Government Boys and Girls Higher Secondary School, Viralimalai. Around 70 boys and 60 girls benefitted from the above Affirmative Action Initiative funded by SRF Foundation. The three month long computer training program covered basics of computers, MS Office and application of internet for knowledge building. The passed out students were registered in Employment Exchange by Te-Job Computer Training Institute.







Bringing Out the Bright Side in Life - SRF Manali

Building School Infrastructure

In the month of February, as a part of SRF Foundation's CSR initiative, our CSR team of Manali developed playground and a library in Vadagarai School. For the promotion of sports and extra co-curricular activities the team levelled the ground and installed goal posts and other sports structures. In the renovation of library they facilitated infrastructure development like installing wooden partition, book rack, table and chairs. The library plaque was unveiled by Mr. Chandrashekhar M., Plant Head, in the presence of Mr. Narayanan Athmanathan, CSR Champion and council members.







Fork Lift Operation & Maintenance Training Programme

As a part of SRF Foundation's CSR initiative, the 4th Batch of one month long training programme on "Fork Lift Operation & Maintenance" was conducted SRF Manali at V. Ramakrishna Polytechnic, Chennai in the month of March for 22 unemployed persons belonging to SC/ST category having poor family background under Affirmative Action scheme. The syllabus of the program covered Fork Lift operations as well as basic maintenance skills of Fork Lift equipment. Because of its unique syllabus this time to the programme achieved 100% placement for its attendees.







Strengthening Schools and Environment Alike - SRF Gwalior

With the financial year 2016-17 coming to an end, all the components of Support My School Program Season – 5, aimed at school infrastructural development, was successfully completed. Apart from this, the CSR council members and students and teachers of Government High School Amrol Gwalior, carried out awareness rally for Promotion of Open Defecation Free (ODF) vicinity in support of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. A drawing competition was also organised in Government Senior Secondary School Malanpur to promote the same.







Building Capacities of Students - SRF Dahej

The CSR Council of SRF Dahej successfully organised the 1st ever Inter School Sports day at Rahiyad Govt. School on 21st February. With the participation of 570 students demonstrating their stamina and skills in different sports filled the environment with fun and frolic. The chief guest of the event was Mrs. Aysha Patel Block Education Officer and Mr. Kanti Parmar - CRC was the guest of honour. Apart from this with the leadership of the headmasters and support from the teachers and students the Council also facilitated development of libraries in eight of our program schools.







The Change Makers - SRF Bhiwadi, SRF Indore and SRF Kashipur

The end of financial year 2016-17 saw a complete transformation in the program schools of Bhiwadi, Indore and Kashipur. Our nine program schools in Bhiwadi, four in Indore and three in Kashipur went through a massive infrastructural upgrade impacting over 2150 in Bhiwadi, 700 in Indore and 340 students in Kashipur. The intervention has helped decrease student drop out and a marked increase in the attendance and regularity of students. The print rich environment has also helped in enhancing interest and knowledge of the students in difficult subjects.







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