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Project SACSHAM



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SHIKSHA Initiative is an implementing partner in a rather brilliant initiative named **as Project SACSHAM (Smartly Attended Classes for Skill Honing and Advancement Module)** of UP education Department launched by Mr. Ishan Pratap Singh, Chief Development Officer, Shravasti. Project SACSHAM will facilitate existing Panchayat bhawan to act as ideal place of learning and alternate e-governance and skill development for the youths, children, community peoples and Govt. officials aiming to establish easily accessible, healthy, transparent communication culture among all the stakeholders focusing on children and youths. The project also focusses on providing remedial teaching to the students of schools having single teacher and are lagging behind in learning the syllabus.

Upon receiving a formal letter by District Administration, SHIKSHA Initiative organized a two-day training workshop for 25 Academic Resource Persons (ARP) on "Creative Use of ICT Tools". The training was inaugurated by Mr. Ishan Pratap Singh, CDO-Shravasti along with Mr. Parikshit Khatana, Associate Collector and Mr. Prabhu Ram Chauhan, Basic Shiksha Adhikari. Mr. Singh addressed the trainees and gave overview about operation SACSHAM and motivated Academic Resource Person's to work with dedication.

Mayank Sinha, AGM, SHIKSHA Initiative began the session by setting the context followed by a brief vote of thanks by Mr. Prabhu Ram Chauhan, BSA.

SHIKSHA Initiative is also working as a Project Management consultant to Project SACSHAM. Mr. Mayank Sinha and Mr. Shishir Purohit were part of the steering committee which helped the administration to decide on implementation strategies. SHIKSHA Initiative was also invited to administer the technical demonstration done by



I 2 bidders on Interactive Flat Panel Display Technology (IFPD), digital multimedia content, skill content, adult literacy modules, web conferencing technology solutions, internet connectivity solutions, power backup solutions and monitoring solutions which would help the implementation team to regularise the implementation plan of Project SACSHAM.

> - SHISHIR PUROHIT, Deputy Project Manager and DEENANATH TRIPATHI, Divisional Coordinator

Two day training workshop for 25 ARPs on 'Creative Use of ICT Tools'

Induction Training on ICT based Education for Govt. Primary Teachers



To ensure smooth roll out of SHIKSHA Initiative's ICT classes' in Chandauli, SHIKSHA Initiative organized six days induction training of government teachers on smart class (ICT based) approach from 15th to 25th of September 2021 at three Block Resource Centres – Sadar, Sakaldiha and Chakiya as venue in district Chandauli. The purpose of the training was to build the



Induction Training of Govt. Primary Teachers in Chandauli District, Uttar Pradesh

capacity and knowledge on digital content-based teaching, and upgrade knowledge and skills with a view to develop a proper understanding about ICT based teaching, education, and correlation with child pedagogy.

Training was attended by 114 teachers of 57 government schools who were divided into three batches. Following table summarizes the details of the sixday training session.

Training No. Schools Content Venue **Teachers Teachers** Installation Date of Attended attended Days Done block 14 15-16 02 42 21 Niyamtabad, **BRC Sadar** Sept.2021 Barhni, Chandauli BRC 22-23 02 16 Sakaldiha, 36 18 Sept.2021 Chahaniya Sakaldiha Dhanapur 24-25 02 35 18 16 BRC Chakiya, Sept.2021 Shabganj Chakiya Naugarh 06 113 57 46 Total 09 Blocks Total

- DR. SHARAD KUMAR TRIVEDI, Divisional Coordinator

Capacity Building training of Government Teachers in Fatehpur

Active listening is a valuable technique that requires the listener to thoroughly absorb, understand, respond, and retain what's being said. While engaging in active listening, the listener may also pay close attention to the speaker's behaviour and body language to gain a better understanding of their message. It is one of the most important communication skills in today's time and one of the core skills teachers should possess to get the best out of the class.

Active listening was the agenda when SHIKSHA Initiative team completed a two-day training program for 10 government teachers and 5 supervisory staff of the organization World Vision in Fatehpur, Uttar Pradesh. The training was held on 26th and 27th of August, 2021 wherein Mr. Jay Singh, BEO-Haswa and Mr. Steve Daniel Rao led the discussion on UMANG school readiness program and SHIKSHA Initiative's ICT Content. The coordinators from SHIKSHA Initiative took forward the session with support from World Vision team. Ms.Smriti Ria Patar, from SHIKSHA Initiative focussed on the importance of active listening and various speaking techniques whereas



समय किसी की प्रतीक्षा नहीं करता । रशक्षाय आहर्य, सवाय आहर्य ।

Capacity building training with World Vision in Fatehpur, Uttar Pradesh

Mr. Kamlesh Kumar conducted the behaviour management session with the participants. The session gathered praise and good feedbacks from the participants.

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- DEENANATH TRIPATHI, Divisional Coordinator



Roshni Nadar Malhotra's birthday celebrations at SHIKSHA⁺ centre

A very warm and gracious gesture was showcased by the learners from various SHIKSHA⁺ centres by honouring Ms. Roshni Nadar Malhotra, CEO, HCL Corporation on her birthday on 16th September. The learners got to know about her work in building the society by making education accessible to everyone. They showered her with good wishes and lot of blessings to keep on performing the noble deed.

- PIYUSH KUMAR TONK, Senior Project Associate



Learners at SHIKSHA⁺ centres celebrated Roshni Nadar Malhotra's birthday

MoU with Gonda District Administration

In the list of SHIKSHA Initiative's expansion districts, Gonda has been a new addition. On 10th August 21, a MoU between Basic Education Department and SHIKSHA Initiative was signed with an agreement of conducting ICT based classes in 50 primary schools in Gonda district. In a meeting with Dr. Vinay Mohan, Basic Education Officer (BEO) of Gonda, SHIKSHA Initiative's team briefed the officials about ICT based program and its impact in children's learning.

- DEENANATH, Divisional Coordinator



MoU with District Administration of Gonda, Uttar Pradesh

Teacher's Day Celebrations in Shravasti



Teacher's Day celebration at Alakshendra Inter College, Shravasti

To show honour and gratitude to the teachers, Teacher's Day celebration was organized in the District Headquarters -Shravasti at Alakshendra Inter College, Bhinga on 5th September, 2021. Among the dignitaries who graced the occasion were Hon'ble Mr. Amod Kumar, Principal Secretary-Planning, who was the chief guest along Mr. Ram Feran Pandey, MLA, Mr. T.K. Shibu, District Magistrate, Mr. Ishan Pratap Singh, Chief Development Officer, Mr. Prabhu Ram Chauhan, Basic Education officer, and other officials.

Selected teachers from the district were honoured with certificate of appreciation which was followed by Hon'ble Mr. Amod Kumar throwing light on the importance of being a good teacher. Mr. Manoj Nishad, District Coordinator, SHIKSHA Initiative was felicitated by Block Education Officer and District



Mr. Manoj Nishad was felicitated by BEO and District Coordinator, Training

Coordinator-Training and Development for being an outstanding Prerna Saarthi under Mission Prerna. - MANOJ NISHAD, District Coordinator, Shravasti

SHIKSHA Ki Goonj at Sarai Dulha village, Sikandrabad

After two phases of successful implementations of SHIKSHA Ki Goonj programs in Dadri and Sikandrabad, a third phase of the program was launched on 15th July 2020. This 15day program came to an end on 30th July 2021 which was followed by certificate distribution ceremony. The program was conducted in Sarai Dulha village of Sikandrabad where in almost 280 students participated. With an objective to reach the students in the pandemic through loudspeakers, SHIKSHA Ki Goonj has been instrumental in bridging the gap between education and students. Mr. Lalitendra Bhartiya, Project Manager, SHIKSHA Initiative thanked the community, teachers, and students for their continued support in making this program a success.

> - DEEPAK KUMAR, Resource Coordinator



SHIKSHA Ki Goonj Certificate distribution ceremony at Sarai Dulha village, Sikandrabad

Writing competition at SHIKSHA⁺ centres

In an initiative to develop writing skills among neo-literates learners of the SHIKSHA⁺ program, a writing competition was organized at the Tillbegampur and Kalonda village by the volunteers - Beby Gola, Pankaj Kumari, Ashan Devi, Tabassum, Mehazabi and Danishta. Total of 80 learners participated in the competition and these learners were from different volunteer batches. Beby Gola, one of the volunteers said that the writing competition has motivated all the learners to learn and practice independent writing in their SHIKSHA⁺ workbook and notebook. This activity will also motivate the learner to come to the SHIKSHA⁺ centre daily and eventually will increase the



Writing competition organized at SHIKSHA $^{+}$ centres in Tillbegumpur and Kalonda village

learner's attendance at the batches. The first three runners up were given the books to read and practice.

 – PIYUSH KUMAR TONK, Senior Project Associate

SHIKSHA Initiative awarded by Hon'ble Governor of Uttar Pradesh

On an undaunting mission to make education accessible to every strata of the society, SHIKSHA Initiative has played pivotal role in bridging the gap between students and education during pandemic. Through it's innovative program like SHIKSHA Kiran, SHIKSHA Initiative has reached out to students and adults who were devoid of educational access. This effort was recognised and awarded by Hon'ble Governor of Uttar Pradesh- Shrimati Anandiben Patel on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti at Raj Bhawan, Lucknow. Hon'ble Governor praised SHIKSHA's efforts during pandemic and motivated the team to keep going forward. Mr. Robin Sarkar, Project Director, SHIKSHA Initiative and Mr. Mayank Sinha, Associate General Manager, SHIKSHA Initiative received the award

> - SURABHI GUPTA, Associate Manager



SHIKSHA Initiative team was feliticated by Hon'ble Governer of Uttar Pradesh, Shrimati Anandiben Patel on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti

Installation of hand washing units in SHIKSHA⁺ centers in Kasmanda

WaterAid, an international organization working on provision of clean drinking water, sanitation and hygiene, provided 25 temporary complimentary hand washing units made of PVC pipe and a tap to SHIKSHA Initiative to assess appropriate hygiene practises in the SHIKSHA⁺ learning centres. This handwashing device holds approximately 05 litres of water and can be used to wash hands with soap by up to 12 persons at once. The water may be refilled to serve

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another 12 people.

Volunteers and GPSs have been informing the community to follow the COVID-19 applicable protocol since the commencement of this pandemic. This



Adult learners following safe handwashing practices after installation of handwashing units

unit will assist them in practising hand washing before starting their classes each day.

Adult learning centres are operating in the homes of learners in the Kasmanda block of Sitapur district, adhering to all

COVID-19 guidelines. The owners of the learning centres have happily agreed to place these hand washing units at the entrance of their homes by identifying a location where used water can easily flow. Shalini Yadav, the instructor at this centre in the village of Dariyapur, has nothing but praise for the organisation and attributes her high motivational level to her GPS Reema Shukla for encouraging the leaners to follow safe hygiene practices.

> - PREETI M SHAH. Senior Project Coordinator

Sapling distribution drive in Sitapur

SHIKSHA Initiative launched a sapling distribution drive in the Kasmanda block of Sitapur district during the month of August-September during the SHIKSHA Kiran programme. Saplings of various species were distributed in villages. The initiative was lauded by the villagers who committed to take care of the saplings. The community expressed their interest in preserving the environment by making small contributions towards betterment of Mother Earth.

The Inspector of Horticulture from the Department of Horticulture and Food

Processing, Sitapur, generously donated 2500 fruit bearing saplings of various varieties worth Rs. | Lakh to the SHIKSHA Initiative, Shiv Nadar Foundation.

- PREETI M SHAH. Senior Project Coordinator



Sapling distribution drive by SHIKSHA Initiative in Kasamanda Block, Sitapur

To Seema Ma'am, With Love



सीमा, इंस्ट्रक्टर, जमशेदपुर

Seema, an instructor at Jamshedpura SHIKSHA⁺ centre was overwhelmed with joy when 15 learners from her batch surprised her with a song they composed to honour her on Teacher's Day. This is her experience in her own words:

ग्राम जमशेदपुरा में मैंने (सीमा) लगभग दो महीने पहले (28/07/2021) एक बैच आरम्भ किया था। इस बैच में 15 लर्नर

हैं। जब ये सभी लर्नर बैच प्रारम्भ के समय आये थे तब लगभग सभी पढने-लिखने में शून्य थे। ये न तो पढना ही जानते थे और न ही लिखना। कलम भी सही रूप से नहीं पकड पाते थे। लेकिन धीरे – धीरे अथक प्रयास करने के उपरान्त इन सभी को पढ़ना – लिखना आना शुरू हो गया। ये अब शब्द पढ़ सकते हैं, अपना नाम, अपने परिजनों का नाम, अपने गाँव का नाम अपित जो इन्हें बोलकर दिया जाता है उन्हें लिख लेते हैं। अपने अंदर ऐसे अविश्वसनीय बदलाव को देखकर ये सभी लर्नर आश्चर्यचकित भी हुए तथा साथ ही साथ इनकी खुशी का कोई ठिकाना नहीं रहा। ये बहुत खुश हैं। जो इन्होंने सपने में भी कभी नहीं सोचा था कि ये भी पढ़-लिख सकते हैं, और वो हो गया। ये मुझें, हमारी संस्था शिक्षा प्लस और शिक्षा प्लस की पूरी टीम को बहुत बहुत धन्यवाद देती हैं। शिक्षा प्लस के कारण ही इन्हें वो सीखने को मिला जो इनका अधिकार था लेकिन इन्हें प्राप्त नहीं हुआ था। अब ये अपने गांव में मिशाल बनती जा रही हैं कि इस उम्र में भी पढा जा सकता है। इनको देखकर गांव के और भी हर वर्ग के लोग बच्चे, यवा, अधेड, वद्ध सभी प्रेरित हो रहे हैं कि उन्हें भी पढना –लिखना चाहिए। पढने – सीखने की उम्र सीमा नहीं होती है।

अपने अंदर ऐसे बदलाव को देखकर, पढ़ना – लिखना सीखकर बैच आईडी 41 के लर्नरों ने मुझें, शिक्षा प्लस व शिक्षा प्लस की टीम को धन्यवाद देने के लिए मेरे संज्ञान में रखकर एक गीत बनाया था तथा सेंटर पर उसे गाकर मुझें सम्मानित किया था जो मैंने पूरी टीम के साथ साझा किया था।

मैंने उनके इस नायाब तोहफे गीत को सुनकर अपने आप में बहुत गौरान्वित महसूस किया। मेरे लिए ये सबसे बड़ा उपहार है। वास्तव में ऐसा सम्मान पाना एक अलग ही अहसास दिलाता है। उनके दिए गए इस सम्मान के कारण मुझमें और अत्यधिक जोश भर आया है। मैं चाहती हूँ कि मैं अधिक से अधिक लोगों को शिक्षित करूँ तथा अपनी संस्था का नाम करूँ।

मेरा मानना है कि इस गीत को अलग अलग सेंटरों पर दिखा कर वहाँ के लर्नरों को भी प्रेरित किया जा सकता है। इससे सभी लर्नरों में जोश भरा जा सकता है। उन्हें उत्साहित किया जा सकता है। मैं शिक्षा प्लस को बहुत बहुत धन्यवाद देना चाहूँगी कि उन्होंने मुझें अपनी इस मुहिम में अपने साथ जोड़कर लोगो को शिक्षित करने का अवसर प्रदान किया। में शिक्षा प्लस की पूरी टीम का भी बहुत बहुत धन्यवाद करती हूँ कि वे सभी अपने पूरे मन के साथ कार्य कर रहे हैं, लोगो को शिक्षित करने में अपने योगदान दे रहें हैं।

> – पीयूष कुमार टोंक, सीनियर प्रोजेक्ट एसोसिएट

Quiz

1. Teachers from how many schools participated in the Induction Training held in Chandauli?

a.	50	b. 43
c.	57	d. 66

- 2. What is the full form of SACSHAM?
 - a. Smartly Attended Classes for Skill Honing and Advancement Module
 - b. Smart Attentive Classroom for Skill Honing and Advancement Module
 - c. Smartly Attended Classes for Skill Honing and Advanced Modules
 - d. Smartly Attended Class for Skill Honing and Advertised Modules
- 3. Where was the certificate distribution ceremony conducted for the third phase of SHIKSHA KI GOONJ program?
 - a. Tillbegampur b. Kalonda
 - c. Sarai Dulha d. Rajarampur
- 4. Capacity building training in Fatehpur was conducted for how many days?
 - a. 3 b. 2 c. 4 d. 5

5. How many temporary handwashing units were provided to SHIKSHA Initiative by Water Aid?

- a. 21 b. 29 c. 25 d. 22
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- 2. Responses after deadline will not be entertained.
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