

## Shiksha Prayas - Q3 2009 Update

Dear Friends,

It has been a good quarter in Shiksha Prayas journey. Studies at centers have been progressing well. Fund raiser has progressed well. 2 events were conducted at FTC Kanhai. One significant milestone has been achieved in student sponsorship.

FTC Kanhai - Studies have been going fine. Following activities were conducted in this quarter:

1. Drawing Competition & Gifts by NCR employees: Few employees from "NCR Corp, Gurgaon" contributed the money and purchased gifts for students at Kanhai tuition center. Tarun & Rajnikanta came to center to distribute the gifts. Many thanks to Jaideep, Monica for taking the initiative and to Tarun, Rajnikanta for sparing their valuable time to visit the center. Tarun gave good tips to students on drawing techniques.
2. Donation of PC: One of my close friend Adishwar donated his PC for FTC Kanhai. Adishwar visited the center and gave an overview about PC to students. Students were really excited to learn about PC. we need to now plan for teacher/volunteer who can teach few useful stuff on PC to students.

FTC Siwan - studies going fine. 9th class will be started from Nov. So far, we have been teaching 3 classes in Siwan (6th, 7th & 8th), but some students of 9th class who studied with us last year, have been requesting for taking up 9th class as well. On teachers' recommendation and after checking our budget, we plan to go ahead and add 9th class for rest of the months of this academic year.

FTC Taraori - studies are going fine.

Mini Library: More books were added to FTC Kanhai. One day while i visited the center, I noticed that there were only few books lying in the book rack. when I asked head teacher about the books. she mentioned that many books have been issued and she also mentioned that when new books come, students fight to reserve the books to get them issued. I was really happy to know that. So this idea has been really successful. I have already purchased initial set of books for Siwan and Taraori centers. Hopefully mini library at these 2 centers will start later this month.

Student scholarship - This quarter we have reached a special milestone. One of our initial student (Rakesh ) who was being sponsored collectively by Prayas ([www.prayas.com](http://www.prayas.com)) and Shiksha Prayas since 2002, has completed

his Engg and started his job at Honda Motors Manesar. His father still works as security guard. This is a moment of pride in our endeavour.

Fund-raiser: Fund-raiser has been progressing well. It has been slow and steady. I couldn't do a very active follow-up this time, but I am confident that we'll be able to achieve targets set for this year. The thing I like most about the fund-raiser is that it gives me opportunity to reach out to you guys. Thanks for all your feedback (mostly appreciations!) and contributions. I appreciate your support for this noble cause.

Pics of Kanhai events are attached with this email. Pic1 shows NCR guys at Kanhai center. Pic 2 shows Adishwar giving a computers overview to Kanhai students.

Pawan  
for Shiksha Prayas team



