

Shiksha Prayas Q2 2012 Update and Fund-raiser kick-off

Dear Friends,

Please note SP update for Q2 2012. This time, I am sending my quarterly update bit earlier. 2 reasons: During June, we'll observe summer vacation. And, I would like to start fund-raiser.

Studies at all 3 centres have started well for 2012-13. Renewals and new approvals for student scholarships has started well. I also have a special update on RBS volunteer work on English speaking at FTC Kanhai.

Detailed Update:

FTC Kanhai (4th to 8th): Center has been running fine since 31st March. Focus has been on foundation subjects (English and Maths) as well as on handwriting improvements.

Computer classes were run only in April. Summer vacation announced from 1st June and classes to restart on 2nd July.

FTC Taraori (6th to 8th): Center started on 9th April. I visited the centre on 14th April and distributed rewards to class toppers(class/section toppers were informed in class) During April/May, Focus has been on English Tenses, English/Hindi handwriting improvement/ Dictation and Maths. Classes to continue till 9th June.

FTC Siwan (6th to 8th): Center started on 2nd April. Sangeeta and myself visited the centre on 14th April and distributed rewards to the best students (teachers recommended best students based on performance as results were not declared in school). During Apr/May, focus has been on English and Maths. Due to popular demand by ex-students, head teacher recommended that we should conduct classes for 10th class students. One additional teacher is appointed to teach Maths/Science for 2 months (May & June) to teach only 10th class.

Student Scholarship: Renewal and new approval of individual students is in progress. Also, 4 ex-students for Taraori (2 each in 9th and 10th) have been considered for tuition. Same way 4 students of 12th class in Siwan have been considered for tuition expenses. Tuition classes for these students have been started.

RBS English improvement classes (pic attached): RBS conducted well structured English improvement classes for FTC Kanhai during 1st May to 31st May. As part of this program, RBS identified employees volunteer group. 3-4 volunteers (on rotation) from this group used to visit everyday (during 4:30 - 6 pm) to FTC Kanhai. Separate batches were formed between 4th to 9th classes (Ex-students from 9th class also showed lot of interest for this program and attended the same). English books were provided to each student. Towards the end, test was conducted. On 31st May (last day of program) a concluding ceremony was conducted. Best students in each class were rewarded with gifts. Each student got a certificate on the completion of this course. Participation in this program was very high. Almost 70 students attended this program on regular basis. Teachers were very interactive, innovative and established good bond with students. Very successful program!!! Many thanks to RBS employees. We look forward to more such volunteer-driven programs. In attached pic, RBS team is encouraging our students during concluding ceremony.

Fund-Raiser:

With this email, I would like to kick-off the fund-raiser for current academic year. Last year, our expenses were 5.28 Lacs (2.70 L for FTC Kanhai, 71K for FTC-Taraori, 85K for FTC

Siwan, 89K for student scholarship and 13K for CA/common expenses. Our budget for current academic year is Rs 6 Lacs: 3 Lacs for Kanhai, 90K each for Taraori and Siwan centres, 1L for student scholarships and 20 K for CA/other common expenses.

Please send your contributions/pledges ASAP. Your timely response will help us to complete this fund-raiser in time.

To make contributions:

Cheques (in Rs) in the name of SHIKSHA PRAYAS GURGAON should be sent to Pawan Kamra. H-125 FF, Residency Greens, Sector-46, Gurgaon -122003. Cell # 98102 41735. If you would like to transfer money through a bank transfer, do let me know and I can provide bank account details.

Sheily Kamra (my cousin sister) has volunteered to support me for this fund raiser. Myself/ Sheily will be doing a personal follow-up with you in coming days.

For more details, you can visit www.shiksha-prayas.com or write back to me. Your feedback and comments are always welcome.

Regards,
Pawan Kamra
For Shiksha Prayas Team



