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Moodlakatte – 576 217, Kundapura Taluk, Udupi District, Karnataka

Event	:	“Grantha Mitra” Community class in association with Akansha Charitable Trust
Organized On	:	Dec 2021
Place	:	Basrur panchayat
Participants	:	Students from CSE, ECE and Civil
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Preamble

MITK organized a program called “Community class in association with Akansha Charitable Trust”. This report presents an overview of the collaboration between the students of MITK and the Akanksha Charitable Trust in conducting community classes in rural areas. The initiative aimed to contribute to the education and overall development of underprivileged children residing in these areas.

About the trust:

In India, majority of students pursuing their education in rural area are deprived of quality education due to lack of competence, learning materials, instruments and so on. Considering those challenges in mind, the journey of Akanksha embarked with a group of friends, who were motivated by the famous quote “Knowledge never decreases by being shared”. Therefore, team Akanksha decided to share the knowledge amongst the kids, who were studying in rural government high schools of Dakshina Kannada and rural Bangalore districts. Team Akanksha's activities started in the year 2012 and was brought under the banner of Akanksha Charitable Trust(ACT) in the year 2014. The aim of this trust is to reach and empower rural government high schools and to enhance the practical knowledge and creativity of the students. Activities designed with creativity like hands-on workshops, Science bowl quiz are organized for schools. In addition, the trust focuses on making children career-oriented, based on their aspirations and potential.

Objectives of the initiative

Moodlakatte Institute of Technology Kundapura was established in the year 2004, under the leadership of the philanthropic, technocrat Late I M Jayaram Shetty and the iconic MNBS Trust, MITK has reached out to the rural communities as a symbol of hope for availing technical education. It became a beacon of light for those young minds that were economically less advantaged, but were still nursing big dreams of pursuing professional engineering degrees and becoming competent entrepreneur, technocrats or employees. The objectives of this initiative are to enhance educational opportunities for children in rural areas, to facilitate holistic development through extracurricular activities and to strengthen the bond between urban and rural communities.

Implementation

We have selected rural area, Basruru in association with Akanksha Charitable Trust to facilitate opportunities and enhance knowledge for children in those areas. We have focused on effective teaching methods, cultural sensitivity and also made them aware of the unique challenges of rural education and how to emerge through it in a powerful way. At the start, our students engaged themselves with the

community and took the initiative to ensure active participation. We then monitored our progress and evaluated our impact at the children.

Feedback:

Trust: Students of MITK actively involved in community classes and their teaching was effective and interactive. All students of that area were benefited from their teaching.

Students: We are really thankful to college for giving this wonderful opportunity. It's our great pleasure to interact with rural areas children's and to share our knowledge.

PHOTOS:



Granta Mitra initiative starts in govt school libraries

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Udupi: In an attempt to help class VIII students, primarily those studying in government and aided schools of Udupi district, Akanksha Charitable Trust, Puttur, has launched 'Granta Mitra', a three-year project in Basrur and Katpadi panchayat libraries.

Shreesha Bhat, mentor, and managing trustee at Akanksha said, "This is a volunteer driven project launched in association with Udupi zilla panchayat. Currently, volunteers from two private colleges—Trisha Vidya College, Katpadi and Moodlakatte Institute of Technology—are assisting in the effort. Programmes and events are being held at the respective libraries every Saturday for two hours, from the past five weeks, followed by a regular attendance system."

"As many as 60 students are part of this project, that also focuses on personality development. We selected class VIII students so that by the time they reach class X, they are well groomed to face the next phase of life. IAS officers Uma Mahadevan, Pri-



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yanka Mary Francis and Udupi ZP CEO Naveen Bhat Y were present during the virtual inauguration of the programme," he said.

The project is also an attempt to introduce students to the gram panchayat libraries, and in turn make these libraries student friendly. A team of experts have already created a curriculum, and currently the volunteers are focusing on improving basics in maths and science of these students.

"Several other programmes have been planned. There will be life skill sessions, app-based lear-

ning, education-based films will be screened, various competitions based on reading skills and special sessions with a focus on the National Talent Search Examination will be held," said Bhat.

"Meanwhile, to improve the library, book donation camps will be organised, and the libraries will be cleaned by volunteers and students. Public awareness programmes will also be held. Health check-up camps, book fairs, an open house for the public on various issues, and talks related to agriculture activities and government schemes will be held," said Bhat.



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This is to certify that Madhuri, a student of MIT Kundapura has successfully participated as a Volunteer in the Grantha Mitra programme organized by Akanksha Charitable Trust in association with Rural Development and Panchayath Raj, Government of Karnataka.

Her dedication and commitment have made a significant impact on the lives of countless students, fostering a love for learning and guiding them towards academic excellence and career. Also her enthusiasm in teaching and willingness to share expertise have been a source of inspiration for both the students and other fellow volunteers.

Her hard work, professionalism, and commitment have greatly contributed to the successful implementation of the Grantha Mitra programme. We commend Madhuri for her exceptional work and dedication throughout the project period.

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