

JABO HAMRA SCHOOL

An initiative under the aegis of the Inspector of Schools, Dibrugarh



Partnering Agencies:

- a) District Administration, Dibrugarh.
- b) UNICEF, Dibrugarh
- c) American India Foundation, NGO,
Bangalore



Objective:

- To bring the students back to school.
- To set up digital classrooms in the Tea Garden Area Schools to attract more students and lower the dropout rate.



Area of Operation:

Tea Garden Area Schools, Dibrugarh District

Target Group:

Children From the Age Group of 5-12 years



Status Before Implementation

- ▶ The dropout rate was very high at the time of re-opening of schools after the lockdown was lifted during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ▶ b) Most students were seen playing or roaming in its neighborhood. Parents were also not aware of sending their children back to school.
- ▶ c) Highest dropout rate in the Namsung Tea Garden Area, Joypur due to unavailability of earning resources during the pandemic for the parents and subsequently children were forced into child labour.




Challenges faced:

- a) Tracking of dropout students as the parents used to constantly change their mobile numbers.
- b) Students who were sent to their relative's places to find work were difficult to track.
- c) Convincing the parents to send their children back to school after a global pandemic.

DETAILS OF THE PROJECT

- ▶ A van well decorated with motivating pictures, cartoons, balloons, LED TV and a short awareness video of the students describing the education scenario pre and post COVID reopening, their experience during school closures, how teachers are adopting activity based learning to bring the students back to the speed and messages from the Deputy Commissioner, Dibrugarh, Inspector of schools, ACS officers from Tea garden community and Padma Shri awardee Shri Dulal Manki appealing the parents and students to return to school was displayed through Loud Speakers.
- ▶ The Inspector of Schools, HOIs, Teachers, CRCC's, Anganwadi workers have visited the houses of the children to bring back them to schools.
- ▶ Tea Garden Managers, Sardars have also visited the children's homes to create awareness.

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- News about the campaign was broadcasted both in Television and Radio to bring awareness.
 - Newspapers also circulated the news about the campaign in a huge manner.
 - The awareness campaigns were financed by the District Administration, Dibrugarh after a petition was submitted by the Inspector of Schools, Dibrugarh.
 - The Digital Classrooms are furnished by the American India Foundation, NGO, Bangalore under their CSR activity after the Inspector of Schools had submitted a petition to their Office.



Accomplishment/Achievements:

The campaign has been a successful one. We have been able to bring back the students to school where they belong to. We have been able to provide admission to 260 numbers of students of only Namsung Tea Garden students in Namsung TE Model School.

Some glimpses of the Campaign



Teachers training on the innovative campaign:



**Inspector of
Schools Radio
Interview
regarding the
Back to School
Innovative
Campaign**



Awareness programme for Parents and students:



**Visit of
teachers and
CRCCs to the
children homes
to spread
awareness
about the
campaign.**



Digital Classes going on in Digital Classrooms provided by AIF for Back to School Campaign:





Conclusion:

This Innovative campaign has shown the Tea Tribes of Dibrugarh that we are serious in providing quality education in Tea Tribe dominated areas. We have been able to gain their trust that we will be able to do justice towards their children. Till August of 2022 dropout students were lining up in Tea Model Schools to get admissions for continuing their studies. Digital Classrooms have become popular among the students. Tea Tribes are now trying to embrace technology for their children. The number of Tea Tribe children taking admissions in Tea Garden Area schools has increased since last year.



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