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T-E-A-C-H at Rotary International Convention



Showcasing T-E-A-C-H project at the Rotary International Convention's House of Friendship was a significant milestone for RILM this year.

The overwhelming response generated over the five days at Hamburg proved we are moving ahead in the right path. Like previous years, this year also at Hamburg the booth received many praises. The stall was buzzing with senior Rotary Leadership and convention attendees.

The TEACH booth experienced many footfall of Rotarians from all around the world. They showed much interest in the TEACH program and also wanted to replicate it in their own country.

Praises poured in as well as visitors. With visitors from all over America, Italy, Mexico, Nigeria, Uganda, Ghana, Nepal, Bangladesh and Pakistan etc. The TEACH program reached out to those who want to take up and implement it in areas where literacy is a big challenge. The visitors found the Happy School and E-learning project of our TEACH program very interesting. The project pictures and testimonials from beneficiaries fascinated them and they were eager to contribute themselves in the TEACH program.

The Happy School vertical had the maximum takers, along with Adult Literacy and E-learning programs.

Seeing the response and praises from the visitors at the convention, it proved that these conventions hold important foothold for Rotary India Literacy Mission.

We still have a long way to go to fulfill our mission of Total Literacy and Quality Education. We are hopeful that TEACH will lay the foundation for a revolution in the global education and Literacy.



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RIPE Mark Maloney launches Project Dignity

A Skill Development program for 30,000 women of India



From L to R : Chair RILM PRID Shekhar Mehta; RI President Mark Maloney; RI Director Kamal Sanghvi and DG 3291 Brojo Gopal Kundu at the launch program of Project Dignity at Kolkata

Rotary India Literacy Mission's (RILM) Skill Development program, also known as "Project Dignity" aims to reach out to those widows, who have been subjected to social or economic discrimination and have been deprived from living their lives with independence and dignity, their unmarried daughters, as well as single mothers. These marginalised women will then be supported by imparting effective skill training to increase their employability.

Project Dignity seeks to create sustainable employment opportunities for the beneficiaries to empower them to attain sustainable means of livelihood for themselves and their dependent children. To create sustainable impact and reach out to the neediest candidates, RILM has joined hands with the Loomba Foundation to impart functional literacy and skill development training to 30,000 women (widows, unmarried daughters of widows and single mothers) 1,000 from each state. These beneficiaries will then be provided employment opportunities in order to ensure their socio-economic empowerment over the next 5 years.

Rotary Club of Calcutta Mahanagar is partnering with RILM in this project. RIPE Mark Maloney attended an event of Rotary Club of Calcutta Mahanagar, where he launched Project Dignity along with five other projects related to literacy. Providing

a glimpse about all the six projects at the event, PRID Shekhar Mehta said "all the projects are valued at over Rs. 40 Crore, benefitting about 1, 50,000 people."

During the launch, Maloney said- "The only place I can compare with today's event is the Atlanta Convention where outstanding amounts were pledged by nations and the Gates Foundation to fight Polio."

National Update on Project Dignity

This project is being implemented through 30 global grants where the Loomba Foundation had committed \$ 1 million to TRF and Indian Rotary clubs would match it with another \$1 million; jointly the project would contribute \$ 2 million to the Foundation. The first five grants have already been approved. Right now three global grants are being implemented in Delhi, West Bengal and Bihar. These grants will cover 2770 beneficiaries.

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T-E-A-C-H in Action

Initiatives taken by Clubs



Teacher Support



Teacher Training by IWC Jamshedpur, IWD 325

IWC Jamshedpur, IWD 325 organized a two day teacher training workshop. 58 teachers from 17 government schools of Jamshedpur had attended the training. The first day the training focused on child psychology and adolescent development, leadership and personal cognitive development and life skill education. The second day training emphasized on non-violence discipline, hygiene & sanitation development and enrichment of interpersonal skills. At the end of the second day all the participants were felicitated with certificates.

RC Golaghat, RID 3240 organized teacher training workshop for government and government-aided school teachers for 2 days. First day of the training emphasized on Teacher Blooms Taxonomy, Personality Identifications & Pediatric Psychology and its handling pedagogy. The second day focused on negotiation skills, leadership skills, stress management, conflict management and evaluation parameters of child and nurturing techniques. 55 teachers had participated in the training.



Teacher Training workshop being conducted by RC Muzaffarpur, RID 3250

RC Muzaffarpur, RID 3250 organised a 2 days intermediate teacher training on classroom management, child and adolescent development and creative pedagogy for 30 teachers from 18 different government primary schools followed by an inaugural ceremony at Shahid Pramod BE College, Madhopur Susta under DIET teachers where stationary kit certificate medal and memento were distributed.

RC Patna, RID 3250 organized a two day teacher training where 34 teachers from 20 government and government-schools had participated. The two day training focused on skill development of teachers through micro teaching aids, basics of teaching through power point presentation, time management during teaching, technique of evaluation. Apart from the aforementioned skills, the teachers were also briefed on rewarding technique, appreciation and punishment, home assignment and method of teaching and learning through story telling.



Teacher training workshop being conducted by RC Patna, RID 3250

IWC Belgaum, IWD 317 organized a teacher training workshop where 24 teachers from government rural schools around Belagavi participated. The attendees were given special training on various subjects such as Chemistry, English Language, Social Studies, Mathematics and Computer Science.



Teacher training workshop being conducted by Sikanderabad Rejoice, IWD 310





E-learning



E-learning facility installed in a government school of Bagalkot, IWD 317

IWC of Tasgaon, IWD 317 donated an E-learning kit to a government school of Tasgaon to improve teaching and learning mythology of both teachers and students.

IWC of Hazaribagh, IWD 325 Inner Wheel club of Hazaribagh donated e-learning kit including television at 4 government schools of Jharkhand. More than 800 students are benefiting from this project. According to the school principle the rate of absenteeism has also decreased.

IWC Kolhapur Heritage, IWD 317 donated smart television to Vidya Mandir Shelakewadi at Shelkewadi and Vidya Mandir Shahunagar located at Gadmudshingi. More than 400 students are benefiting from this project.

IWC Bagalkot, IWD 317 donated an E-learning kit comprised of both software and hardware at Government Higher Primary school located at Benakatti. More than 200 students are benefiting from this project. According to the school teachers, the classes have become interactive and the students have also become very attentive.

IWC Silchar, IWD 324 had set up an E-learning centre in Malugram Girls School in Silchar. The centre was inaugurated by District Vice Chairman, Adv. Rtn. Sumita Som in the presence of IWC Silchar, club president, Mrs. Vandana Sirohia, club secretary, Mrs. Ritu Agarwal and club members.



E-learning facility donated at a govt school of Tasgaon by IWC Tasgaon



Adult Literacy



Adult learner writing exam held by IWC Berhampur, IWD 326

IWC Kolhapur Heritage, IWD 317 started an adult literacy center named as Vidya Mandir Kattyayani Karveer. The center is located at Karveer, Maharashtra. 30 adult learners are being trained there on basic reading and writing by a volunteer teacher from the community.

IWC Shivpuri, IWD 305 started an adult literacy centre at Government Primary School, Kakarwaya in the state of Madhya Pradesh. More than 28 learners are enrolled in the centre.

IWC Nipani, IWD 317 started an adult literacy centre at 'Prajapati Brahmakumari Vishwavidyalaya' located at Kunnur in the state of Karnataka. More than 35 adult learners have started their classes there. The learners are being trained on writing, reading and basic mathematic skills.

RC Silchar, RID 3240 in association with RCC Sayambhara, handed over completion certificates of Adult literacy Centre to 25 females after examination and proper evaluation by the teachers. Club has started another batch which go on for the next 2 months. Training and study materials were handed over to teachers accordingly. 21 females enrolled their names for the new batch.

RC Green Land Silchar, RID 3240, successfully completed its first adult literacy batch at Betukandi. It was a joint endeavour with Rising Youth Society. The Examination was taken by Centre Instructor, and Certificates were handed over to the learners.

IWC Thane Garden City, IWD 314 organized an adult literacy center known as 'Sakhi Foundation' in Mulund. More than 15 adult learners have enrolled in the center and they are being trained on basic reading and writing using adult literacy primer.





Child Development



Level - III training session at Bhubaneswar, RID 3262

During the month of November, RID 3262 organized Level III literacy seminar at Bhubaneswar. PRID Shekhar Mehta and PDG Anirudha Roy Chowdhury had graced the event. Each vertical of the T-E-A-C-H program were discussed elaborately. DG Bhabani Chowdhury and DLCC PDG Sibabrata Dash assured to take up T-E-A-C-H as the flagship program of the district.

Special emphasis was laid on the Asha Kiran program. While discussing about Asha Kiran, DG and DLCC assured that the district would sponsor 1,000 children under the program.

Subsequently, another interactive workshop on Asha Kiran was organized at Bhubaneswar where a strategy was initiated to increase sponsorship of the Asha Kiran program.

Accordingly, a donor meet-cum-Asha Kiran launching program was held in the sprawling Esplanade Mall of Bhubaneswar. Around 200 Rotarians present pledged to sponsor children by lighting candles under the Asha Kiran program. Donation for 162 children were received during the event. All the sponsored children have been tagged to a donor.

Please visit www.rotaryteach.org to view your sponsored child.



Happy School

IWC Kolhapur Heritage, IWD 317 transformed Vidya Mandir Vaddawadi located in Vaddwadi, Kolhapur into Happy School. The club provided paint for the school building, repaired the windows and doors of the classrooms and equipped the school with clean drinking water facility for both the students and teachers. The club had also renovated the existing toilet and constructed a new toilet for the students. Sports materials were also provided by the club members for the school students. 120 students and 3 teachers are benefitting from this project.



Handwashing facility installed by IWD Kolhapur Heritage, IWD 317

IWC Guntur, IWD 315 adopted K.S.R.T.M.C.P. School of K.V.P Colony of Guntur, and provided books for library. Play materials and sports equipment were also provided at the school to hone the co-curricular skills of the students. School shoes and bags were given by the club. More than 298 students and 11 teachers are estimated to be benefitting from this project.

RC Giridh Greater, RID 3250 transformed M.S. Netaji Subhas Bose school into Happy school by providing benches and desks for the students, furniture for staff room, books for library, sports material, bags & shoes and paint for the school. The club also equipped the school with clean drinking water facility and also established functional toilets for boys and girls. 215 students and 14 teachers are benefitting from this project.

IWC Faizabad Maitri, IWD 312 carried out a survey at 3 government school of Faizabad, Poorv Madhymik Vidyalay, Mahajani tola Lalbagh, Prathmik Vidyalay, Mumtaznagar and Poorv Madhymik Vidyalay, Mumtaznagar. After the survey the club found that basic amenities were lacking at the schools. The club decided to transform the school into Happy School by providing benches and desks for the students, furniture for staff room, books for library, sports material, bags & shoes and paint for the school building. The club also equipped the school with clean drinking water facility, functional toilets for boys and girls and sports material. 505 students are benefitting from this project.

RC Warangal Aahladita, IWD 315 adopted Govt primary school, located in Thota and provided hand washing station, constructed library with new books and also provided sports material for the students to sharpen their co-curricular skills. 101 students and 7 teachers are benefitting from this project.



School shoes and bags donated by IWC Guntur, IWD 315



34 Teachers trained at a 2 day Teacher Training workshop by IWC New Panvel

Under the Teacher Support vertical of the T-E-A-C-H program, 34 teachers from Zilla Parishad Panvel and government-aided schools attended the teacher training workshop organized by Inner Wheel club of Panvel located in Maharashtra. Inaugurated by DLCC Dr. Savitri Raghupati, the workshop was also attended by Dist. Secretary Mrs. Santosh Singh and Mrs. Dharshana Bhoir, Sabhapati, Panvel Municipal Corporation.



Sessions were held on the topics listed below with the objective to guide teachers for self-development and achieve improved class performance:

- ▲ Student Leadership and Personal Development
- ▲ Group Discussion on Child & Adolescent Development
- ▲ Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
- ▲ Yoga and Stress management
- ▲ Hygiene and Sanitation

DLCC. Dr. Savitri motivated the teachers to actively participate in the sessions and take maximum benefit from the workshop. After the end of the two day workshop, DLCC Dr. Savitri Raghupati and Mrs. Santosh gave away certificates to all the participants.

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African countries reach out their hand to adopt T-E-A-C-H

Breakout sessions as part of the convention program inspire attendees, help them polish their leadership skills and give them new ideas for projects, fundraising, strengthening membership, and much more. It is a great way of sharing information about new initiatives and projects within the Rotary network. This year at Hamburg Convention, RILM participated in the Break-out session which took place on 4th June, 2019.

The session 'Developing better projects through partnerships' focused on apprising the attendees on how developing meaningful partnerships can scale up a project. The objectives of the session were:

- ▲ To design successful Basic Education & Literacy projects which are geared to bring positive impact at larger level.
- ▲ To understand the strategies used, such as collaborations with community based organizations, partnerships with Govt, Corporate and Other Stakeholders.
- ▲ To explore possibilities of collaborations with the T-E-A-C-H program for replicating such projects in different parts of the world to achieve universal literacy.



An international panel from the Rotary world comprising of PRID Shekhar Mehta, RIDE Kamal Sanghvi, RIDE Bharat Pandya, PDG Nancy Barbee, PDG Faiz Kidwai and PDG Geeta Manekh were the speakers of the session. More than 900 attendees were present for the session which went on for an hour followed by plenty of queries from the attendees. The session not only saw representatives from Nigeria, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Angola and Congo who wanted to adopt the program but also various representatives from USA, Croatia, Italy, South African who wanted to fund programs being run in India and also the African countries.

Discussion led to various issues faced in other African countries and the need for addressing menstrual hygiene and education of girl children separately through the TEACH program.



Skill Development Project Updates

February - April 2019

West Bengal: In the state of West Bengal training of 45 beneficiaries have already started under the Project Dignity. 70 beneficiaries were screened by project training partner and RILM out of which 45 were selected. These beneficiaries are being trained under the Hospitality Management course.

Bihar: In Bihar training of 97 beneficiaries are in progress for the tailoring course in four different locations namely, Banka, Musepur, Sarwarpur in Arwal and Buxar. To shortlist these 97 beneficiaries, 130 candidates were screened by the training partner and RILM.

Delhi: In Delhi the process of screening has been started by training partner and RILM.

Overall Challenge:

Due to the entire process of the 17th Lok Sabha election from the month of April to May end, the code of conducts regarding Indian general election had come in to effect and, as a result of it community mobilization for any welfare scheme / project was on hold all over India.

The process of screening of beneficiaries and opening of new training centers will soon be conducted.

Delhi, West Bengal and Bihar cost in USD

Beneficiaries	Contribution from Indian Rotary Clubs	Contribution from Loomba Foundation	TRF	Total
2,770	54,000	55,909	78,955	1,88,864



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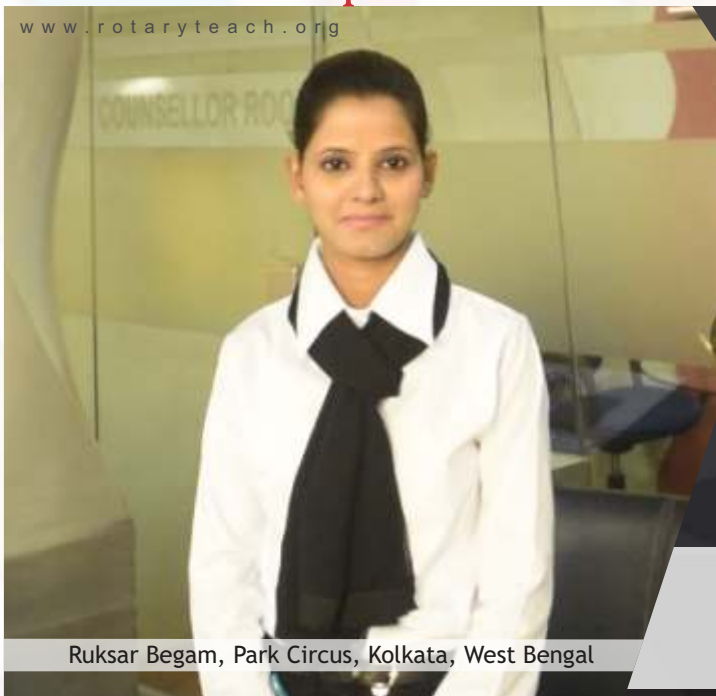


Students attending Hospitality Management training in WB organised by Emporium



Screening of beneficiaries in Bihar by training partner Lok Bharti and RILM

Beneficiaries Speak



Ruksar Begam, Park Circus, Kolkata, West Bengal



“ I saw how vulnerable my mother became after the demise of my father. I promised myself that I will be independent. Joining this training program on Hospitality Management is my first step towards independence.

Thank you RILM & Emporium”



86 Rural schools digitized in Washim, Maharashtra

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E-learning class at a School in Washim

State Bank of India Foundation had joined hands with RILM to transform 310 schools into Digital Learning in 3 states of India. The Triumph Foundation – a trust of Rotary club of Thane was partnering with RILM in this project. Out of 310 schools, Rotary could successfully install 142 E-learning kits in the state of Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh. In the first phase of the project, out of 118 schools in Washim, 32 schools were already provided with the audio-visual medium with the help of Rtn. Kishore Lulla. In the second

phase of the project, the work for remaining 86 schools was taken up.

Washim being the most backward district of the state, the identification of schools was a tough work. Equipping these schools with digital learning system would help students as well as the teachers and also schools to increase their enrollment to a great extent. **Rotary Club of Navi Mumbai Industrial Area, Rotary Club of Bombay and RID 3030** had extended their support for digitizing these remaining 86 schools in Washim.



Teachers of Washim receiving training on the usage of E-learning system



RILM had coordinated with the District Education Department, Washim to collect school list in the area. RILM had appointed two senior staffs on the ground for project execution. All 86 schools have been digitized successfully across Washim district. On first week of March, RILM launched the project at Washim. The distribution of e-learning kits to all 86 schools was done at District Education Office, Washim. The distribution of kits was done in the presence of District Education Officer and Block Education Officers.

PSU's go gung-ho for collaborating in E-Shiksha program

1. RILM had entered into an agreement with the state government of Madhya Pradesh to equip 15,000 government schools with e-learning facility. Under this partnership, Narmada Hydroelectric Development Corporation (NHDC) and National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) have extended their support to digitalize 108 schools in the state of Madhya Pradesh. 58 government schools are from Khandwa district and the remaining 50 are from Ujjain district.
2. For the E-shiksha program in the state of Maharashtra, ONGC has extended its funding support for sponsoring 75 schools with e-learning facility in Mumbai and Thane. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited has also shown interest for supporting 100 schools under the MoU with Gov. of Maharashtra in Nandurbar district of Maharashtra with digital learning.



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