



Mewat Rural Education Programme (MREP)

Jashn-e-Taleem (IBM KidSmart summer camp)

Following the conclusion of the schools summer vacation, we also wrapped up our IBM KidSmart Summer Camp, named Jashn-e-Taleem. This was the first summer camp organised in Mewat, where as many as 4,500 children, for the first time, were exposed to various technology and craft activities. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our 18 vidya volunteers for their efforts behind-the-scenes. To prepare them for their role in the summer camp, a two-day training session was held, starting 25 May 2011. These selfless volunteers serve as the key drivers of the camp, initiating, planning and executing the various rallies and learning activities. With the successes of this summer camp, we look forward its sequel next year.



Left to Right: Mewat children involved in art & craft activity; Building cooperation skills through physical activities; Children using computers to enhance their knowledge

Jazba-e-Taleem ('Right to Education Campaign' at the ground level)

In line with the Right to Education (RTE) act, we are determined to ensure that every child in Mewat is given the opportunity to be in schools. With the launch of Jazba-e-Taleem, we aim to engage the community to increase child participation in schools, develop and beautify school compounds. On 6 July 2011, a meeting attended by Headmasters, Sarpanches, District Officials and Chairpersons from the various School Management Committees, was held to discuss the implementation and future plans for the programme. Following that, village level meetings were also organised to finalise the action plans. We look forward to the successful rolling out of Jazba-e-Taleem on a continuous basis.



Left to Right: Address of Dr. Suresh Reddy, Director, SRF Foundation; Release of the HM's Diaries; Participants of the community engagement workshop

Mewat's exciting adventure in IBM

We were honoured to be a part of IBM's centennial celebrations through a month of two-way collaboration efforts. On 15 June 2011, along with various SRF Foundation representatives, vidya volunteers, teachers and field coordinators, 40 children from Mewat were present for this important day for IBM. In addition, a total of 200 volunteers from IBM's On Demand Community (ODC) went to Mewat over the course of four Saturdays starting 18 June 2011. Many children benefited not only from the companionship of the IBMers, but also learnt many valuable skills in art, craft, sports and dance.



Left to Right: Children receiving presents from the IBM; Girls from Mewat giving musical performance; Group photo after the event

Enhancing Early Education Programme (3EP)

Welcoming the 7th batch of students

7 July 2011 marks the start of a life-changing journey for 27 talented adults, newly enrolled in the 3EP. This is the seventh batch of students who will be benefitting from this pre-school teacher-training programme. At the same time, we would like to congratulate the sixth batch of students who will be graduating on 22 July 2011.



Left to Right: Mascot of the 7th batch of students; New student involved in the ice breaking activity; Participants during the training session

Shri Sambandh

Training of teachers from Bhiwani

Following the inauguration of the prestigious Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan School (SRS) in Bhiwani, a training session was organised for the teachers under the Shri Sambandh Programme. In the 20 days of this session, a total of 10 teachers were equipped in the areas of curriculum and skill development, child development, classroom management, introduction to EVS, introduction to phonetics, importance of art in the learning process, physical education, environment education, sensitisation to special needs, approaches to teaching math.



Left to Right: Participants involved in a group activity; Learning can be fun as well; Advise given by Mrs. Anita, program coordinator of 3EP

The Shri Ram Schools (TSRS)

Inauguration of TSPPS

On 12 July 2011, The Shri Ram Police Public School (TSPPS) in Bhondsi was inaugurated by Mr. R. S. Dalal, DGP, Haryana Police, in the august presence of Mr. Arun Bharat Ram, Chairman of SRF Limited / SRF Foundation and Mrs. Manju Bharat Ram, Chairperson, The Shri Ram Schools, among many honourable guests. Together with the Haryana police, TSPPS was set up to provide quality education for the children of police personnel. 50% of the seats in the school are reserved for children of officials of all ranks starting from constables. In the school, there will be special emphasis in developing a physical education programme that encourages participation in sports, recreation and other physical activities.



Left to Right: View of the newly opened school; Official inauguration ceremony of the school; In the last picture from the left, Mr. Arun Bharat Ram, Chairman of SRF Limited, Mr. R. S. Dalal, DGP, Haryana Police, and Mrs. Manju Bharat Ram, Chairperson, The Shri Ram Schools

CSR Programmes at SRF HO

Blood Donation Drive

"Blood – a gift from the heart" – under this slogan, the blood donation camp took place in the SRF Limited on 5 July 2011. All donated blood will be used to help children with Thalassemia disease who are in a constant need for blood transfusions. As put by the Mrs. Vandana Arora, representative of the National Thalassemia Welfare Society, regular blood transfusion is the only way how to save them.



Left to Right: Registration of the donors; Truly giving from the heart; Taking care of the donor at the highest level

"Reach and be Rich"

On 13 July 2011, SRF Gurgaon office was changed beyond recognition – daily clacking of computer keyboards, intensive phone ringing and serious business talks became hardly noticeable. Instead – sincere laughter of kids and joyfulness filled our compounds. Reason for that – first SRF Ltd. "Reach and be Rich" kids day. Fifteen brightest middle school students from Mewat were invited to SRF Head Office to get better acquainted with the daily practices of the SRF employees. At the same time, it was a great opportunity for SRF employees to know better what SRF Foundation is doing and how important the work is to the children. We sincerely hope that SRF kids day on 13th of July will become an annual event, always full with joy, synergetic and very inspiring, but what is the most important - impatiently waited by both - kids and employees.



Left to Right: Opening remarks by Dy Managing Director, Mr. Kartik Bharat Ram; Teamwork of Godparents and Godchildren in a game of Charades; Tasty cookie game enjoyed by a boy from Mewat