

Project Initiation Document

Project Framework

a) Problem to be Addressed

The Non Formal Education Centres run by Prayas are supported under the Government SSA programme. This sponsorship is limited to the basic necessities required to enable children to become mainstreamed, such as teacher's salaries and some support for basic materials. These financial constraints prevent Prayas from dealing with many of needs associated with providing a holistic education to the children. This project aims to support the centres under the following areas:

- Extra curricular infrastructure and activities
- Staff support
- The hidden costs of mainstreaming children
- Children's Health & Nutrition

b) Objectives to be Achieved

This project will provide each centre with a number of non-curricular resources – such as storybooks. This infrastructure will allow the teachers and children to work on a number of extra-curricular 'fun' activities. Though learning focused, they will be separate from the curriculum. Also the project will provide a picnic for each centre, with the children brought to a suitable location, such as the zoo, on an excursion. Both these activities will be aimed at creating a positive atmosphere within the centres. The knock-on benefit of this will be for better pupil attendance in each centre.

This project will also support a bi-annual excursion for the teachers - as a small recognition for the difficult work they do, under extreme conditions and often in isolation. By providing a modest group outing, the teachers will be given a well-earned break and the opportunity to interact in a non-formal setting. This will have a benefit on staff morale and retention.

This project will also provide a fund to support the hidden costs of mainstreaming of a child for a family – such as new books, bag, uniform etc. These costs often act as a barrier to poor families. This fund will remove any financial barrier restricting a child from graduating to a mainstream government system. The benefit will be increased enrollment from the NFE centres to the government schools.

Finally this project will provide quarterly health clinics at each centre. Given the lack of awareness around health and hygiene issues within the community, children are regularly unable to attend school due to preventable illness. These health clinics will highlight the seasonal issues upcoming and provide palliative care for those with illness. This will provide a positive impact on attendance to the NFE centres.

c) Target Group

The project will benefit the students and staff of the 38 centres Prayas run in the south of Delhi. A total of 950 people will benefit from the project.

Implementation

a) Proposed date for commencement of project

1st March 2006

b) Timescale for implementation

Project to continue throughout 2006.

c) Monitoring and Evaluation

NB: Suas Educational Development will require a full report within 30 days of completion of the project.

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Budget Summary

Item	Local input (INR)	Total Cost (INR)	Grant sought (INR)
Extra Curricular Resources & Activities	0	114,000	114,000
Staff Excursions	0	14,000	14,000
Mainstreaming Fund	0	38,000	38,000
Health Camps	0	152,000	152,000
Total	0	318,000	318,000

Contractual Agreement

Suas Educational Development will offer 100% support (as per budget above) in advance, and will expect to receive a full project report, inclusive of all appropriate receipts and invoices, within 30 days of completion of the project.

Signed:

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