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1. Introduction

Education plays a very important role in human life. Schools' taught responsibility, empathy, attention to detail, resilience, and other abilities. The power and ability to grow to a level no one expected is tied to education.

Man can get everything he wants from the other person except intelligence. That is why the quest to provide free education to every single man in India is framed by law so that every single citizen in India should be educated. However, it is limited to papers. That is why English medium schools have sprung up in every village.



Figure 1

Even among the people, Government school meant little sight. Parents are Leaning towards private school. According to a survey released by a charity, parents are more likely to enroll their children in private schools.

There are many reasons for this such as defects in families, unfavorable conditions, financial circumstances, lack of control over the family, and lack of interest in education.

As a result, children are becoming addicted to bad habits at an early age.

Our Grapes organization began to go into the roots of the people living in that tribe and conducted some awareness programs about the importance of education and its necessity.

Although initially very difficult, we (GRAPES) continued to educate young children.

2. Key Activities

2.1 November

For the first time, we are introducing this education program ***(Rural Education Development Program - REDP)*** to the children of Appapuram village in Somarajupalli panchayat and giving regular snacks every day to those who come.



Figure 2

At first the tuition was said to be under a neem tree for couple of days then later, we took a room for rent. From the beginning till today we have been giving them free tuitions.





Figure 3

Figure 4

Our journey began with three of the newcomers starting. Sitting children for the first half hour and teaching them the basics of education would have been a chore for us.

Those who came one day did not come to tuition another day. Tuition is also one that continues to face many challenges.

Regularizing tuition build trust in parents. this brought every single parent closer to us and also enlist their children in our tuition. This was our first foundation.

2.2 December

Everyday tuition, everyday snacks have changed the mindset of the children who come to our tuition.

Due to this, children who were away from their peers were brought to our tuition without our permission. Due to this, the trust in the parents increased.

Every day without our involvement the children would come regularly to tuition and still bring some children.

As it continued, unexpectedly, unseasonal rains were started. even though, we are successful in running tuition without any break.



Figure 5

Finally, GRAPES conducted a parents' meeting later that month to further strengthen that trust among them.



Figure 6

2.3 January

The new year, the new hopes, the new aspirations to be among them, without taking any of the different categories of people, we have embarked on a new program. The same Abdul Kalam said, “ Dream, dream, dream. Dreams transform into thoughts and thoughts result in action. ” We are firmly committed to this motto.



Figure 7



Figure 8

Motivation classes were also conducted for each and every student to remind them of the occasional dream to make their dreams come true.

Apart from that, the officers working in different departments introduced themselves to them and organized the event three times a week with the children, hoping to be an inspiration to them.

We have decided that children should excel not only in an academic field but also in various fields like sports and cultural activities.

NOTE: ***Cultural videos are uploaded in our google drive: click here to view***

2.4 February



Figure 9



Figure 10

Our Team was very happy because the tuition is running better than previous months. Education levels in children also enhancing day by day. Total 78 students with 3 teachers. We split into three blocks. We are in need of digital equipment's like computers, projectors etc to motivate children and educate them digitally. We hope that, we shall be success in providing them in coming days. Most of the children are grasping

things very quick. This makes us real zeal. Also, monthly once, we are conducting health checkup for children.

2.5 March

It was time to test, first we came to a decision. What is the actual child's mindset like? How do children understand what we are saying? That remains a question.



Figure 11

We conducted tests for children. The total number of children was 78. Attending tuition every day from preschool to 8th grade. Unexpectedly, our happiness knew no bounds as all the children got good marks in the test we conducted.

2.6 April



Figure 12

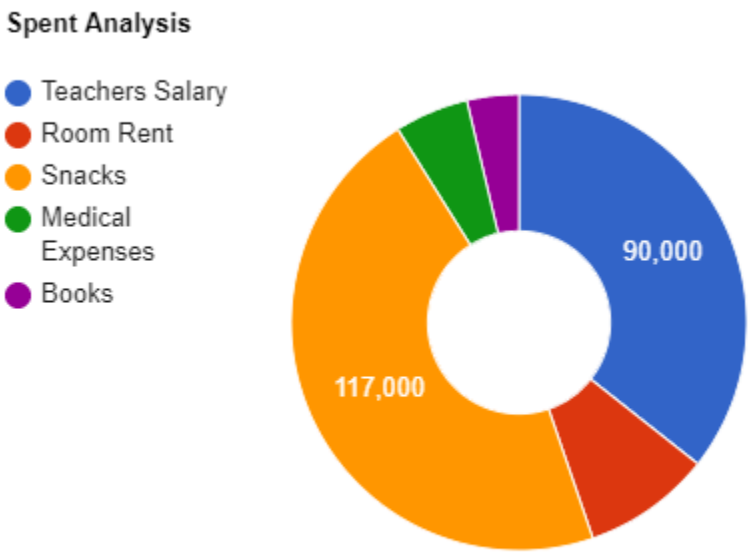
The final month of the schooling, April. All children are filled with joy because of summer holidays. But, we (GRAPES) decided to continue the tuition thrice a week for at least an hour. Because, since the children are tribal if we leave them for a month surely, they will be diverted. To overcome this, we are willing to run tuition for five days a week for an hour at least. Not only study but also cultural activities & games which boosts their immune.

3. Results

- Students (children) are able to know about the importance of education
- We are successful on educating the tribal children
- This program helped to boost their education and helped to motivate by themselves

- Also, along with the education, Games & cultural activities conducted to boost their physic and immunity
- We will be successful on educating children digitally (coming days)
- Successfully reduced the school drop outs count.
- Finally, we will be successful on giving the best future to them.

4. Spent Analysis – 2,79,238 RS



Teachers Salary: 90,000 RS

Room Rent: 23,000 RS

Snacks: 1,17,000 RS

Medical Expenses: 13,250 RS

Books: 9,300 RS

NOTE: ***Audit Document & bills are attached or click here to view***

5. Closing

We are very grateful to you Sir/Mam, for giving us an opportunity to serve our children with education which results in development in their life. Also, we are willing to sustain the project "Rural Education Development Program (REDP)".

Lot of children are yet to enlist in our tuition program. We would like to extend the tuition centers more and we are willing to make this initiative successful. Kindly, remember us in your daily prayers.