

NEWS UPDATE

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“ I teach. Ideas and Words are my business. I toss them into the air and watch them float softly as autumn leaves.....someday one may catch your attention And inspire you with its colour.... ”

– Margaret Hatcher

With the schools reopening in the new academic year, most of the NGO partners supported by Max India Foundation have transitioned from blended learning models adopted in the last academic year to fully functional physical school space this year. Their interventions have been intensive focussing on bridging the learning gap of students during the summer programs, orienting the community stakeholders and the parents. We are delighted to share with you a quarterly update on the initiatives undertaken by our NGO partners.



Kids as Changemakers

Our partner Teach For India (TFI) started its pilot project: Fellows of the Future. This track is grounded in the principles of Partnership and Kids as Changemakers. This quarter 17 students from TFI classrooms across 5 states attended 35 sessions that were themed around educational inequity, the leadership India needs today, pedagogy and personal leadership. Students shared their journey of leading themselves, others and India at all the TFI city sites.

Contextualized learning in conflict prone zone

NGO partner Shikhsarth supported by MIF personalized contextual learning solutions for children in conflict areas. This enabled self-paced and self-designed learning catering to different learning styles for a child in an elementary classroom and. These were made accessible to them in a ready-to-use format.



Building Safe Spaces with Parents and Educators

Safety does not look very different in children and adults. Hence, to create a safe environment for children we must first be aware of what makes us feel safe. Last month our NGO partner Simple Education Foundation engaged parents and educators in sessions where they deepened their understanding of what it means to offer and receive safety. They entered the space with a simple question: "What makes you feel safe?" and left it with another "How can we ensure our children feel the same?"



Safe environment conversations with teachers and parents (Simple Education Foundation)

Shiksha ke Saajhedar

NGO partners supported by Max India Foundation work in close partnership with the communities- by identifying parents in the communities, bringing them on-board and unlocking their true potential as a parent. Our partners Saarthi Education and Saajha identified parents who are interested in offering support to other parents and students from their community. They offered support and assistance to parents with their child's learning process.



- 1) Community event on "Saajhedar Siksha kei" Program (Saajha)
- 2) Relationship Manager facilitating learning of children under At Home Program (Saarthi Education)

Education Entrepreneurship Models

Max India Foundation believes that access to quality and value based education to primarily underprivileged children will empower them to stand an equal chance for further education and job opportunities; thereby changing their lives and those of their families. Our partners have been enabling students and parents to take charge of their career paths and explore their potential to the fullest. Our partner Manzil Welfare Society launched a management development program for young entrepreneurs with the aim to equip the entrepreneurs with management perspectives and to provide them with dynamic leadership skills so that they can effectively lead their growing organizations. In another unique program Saarthi trains women in the community to become Saarthi-preneurs.



- 1) Shikshapreneur - MBA'ish Program for Entrepreneurs of Manzil
- 2) Women led community centre (Saarthi-preneurs)

World's Best School

We are delighted to announce that two schools run in partnership by two of our NGO partners have been recognized in the World's Best School. We congratulate Apni Shala for its SEL initiative-Khoj & Peepul for its Exemplar school initiative for winning this title and bringing in laurels.



Nature Guardians

To build ecological awareness, students were provided various platforms to support the easy infusion of environmental education in the school curriculum. Earth Day week and World Environment Day month were celebrated by engaging children in various activities, environment theme quiz, special assembly, poster making, slogan competition and tree plantation.

Activities on world environment day (TEA, Peepul, AASRA)



Beyond Academics

In this quarter, in-person summer programs were facilitated for students by our partner organization. The students were introduced to arts-based learning, sports-based learning, robotics etc thereby enabling skills of communication, creativity, collaboration, critical thinking, self-esteem, and empathy.



- 1) Special Olympics (Raphael Ryder Cheshire Center)
- 2) Online Bharatnatyam facilitated through Virsa platform (Routes 2 Roots)
- 3) Poetry session during summer program (Slam Out Loud)
- 4) Art session in progress in Sukma Village (Shikhsarth)

Roshan's World of Dinosaurs

Roshan is a nine-year-old boy who has great enthusiasm when it comes to art. He finds his space to express his creativity and emotions through art. He considers dinos as his best friends. At an early age he was always seen with his pencil and colour box eagerly drawing in his art file and whenever he could find time to draw, he would let his imagination fly through the colours. He is a keen observer of his surroundings and can portray his emotions in an exquisite manner. Art gives him confidence. These drawings are created over a period of time about different dinosaurs. There has been drawing in his personality and soft skills as a student and he often encourages his peers to add colours to their imagination.



- In quarter 1 FY 2022-23, MIF supported the education of 2.5 million students, 0.1 million teachers and 44 fellows (teacher leaders).
- 21 million beneficiaries have been impacted since 2019 under MIF 2.0

SEE Learning India Update

In-Person SEE Learning® Workshop
Since the advent of the COVID 19 pandemic, the first in-person Educator Prep Workshop was conducted for 35 educators from The Akanksha Foundation in Pune. This 4 day immersive workshop provided a hands-on experience to the educators in familiarising themselves with the SEE Learning® curriculum, framework and pedagogical model. This workshop was part of the initial training required for the 3 year India Compassion Research Study in the Akanksha Schools.



Upcoming CBCT®(Cognitively-Based Compassion Training) Workshop
Next CBCT® Workshop starting 11th August on Thursdays from 5:30 - 7:30 pm (IST)

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