

Sweet Memories: Abha - Project 2017

It is now the 6th year since the formation of Abha on the 9th of March 2011. From the very beginning the Members and well wishers of this Organization have taken up different social activities and successfully completed them. Once again, with all the blessings, good wishes and wholehearted participation of its members and well wishers the 9th project of our organization was concluded on 19th of March 2017. The project benefitted around 100 under privileged primary school kids, who study in "Charabari Sardarpara Prathamik Vidyalaya", which is situated in a remote village of Haroa, North 24 Parganas.

Like the last year, this year the school authorities again approached our Organization to support the education process in the school which faces adversities due to its disadvantageous location and poor economic condition of its students, which adds to the woes of their families. The referred primary school is located in village Charabari, in Haroa, which is around 45 km by road from Kolkata.

A dengue outbreak occurred throughout West Bengal, India starting from August 2005. The epidemiological data collected from different sources including Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine and Government of West Bengal reflects that the Dengue outbreak is of a recurring nature. Though stray dengue cases were found perennially, most of the cases occurred in the post-monsoon season, with a peak in September. The figures show that the number of affected people have considerably increased in the recent times. So to encounter this epidemic with our limited resources and also in consultation with the school authorities we zeroed in to provide each student with a mosquito net (double bed) to cater to the dual purpose of sleeping as well as studying.

On 19th morning our team which comprised of 13 people of different age group assembled in our Kolkata office and proceeded for Haroa. After reaching the school, the students were served lunch at around 12.30 pm followed by formal inauguration of the project. Thereafter education kits comprising of School Bag, copies (writing and drawing), pen, pencil, eraser, cutter, scale, pastel colors etc were distributed to these 100 kids. This will supplement their educational needs for the current academic year and reduce the burden of their parents. In addition to the education kits the students also received mosquito nets by which their families would also be benifitted.

- The complete photographs and videos of the recent and the earlier projects along with infrastructure projects are available for viewing in our website "www.abha.org.in" under the tab "Album" and "Information and Updates".
- We appeal to all our Members and Well wishers to continue their whole hearted support in the days to come as the goal cannot be achieved without your active participation and contribution.

"The existence of poverty is the proof of an unjust and ill-organised society, and our public charities but is the first tardy awakening in the conscience of a robber."

----Sri Aurobindo

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