

The previous month was full of activities. Even winter at Kanpur could not lower the sprit of our enthusiastic volunteers. All regular activities ran smoothly. The main programs were Republic Day celebrations, Swami Vivekanand Jayanti celebration and Subhash Chandra Bose Jayanti celebration at Shiksha Sopan Anaupcharik Shikshan Kendra. Science cell was actively involved in organizing various workshops at different places. Some new volunteers joined Shiksha Sopan Science cell and they are working very enthusiastically. Sopan library is also going well.

Shiksha Sopan Anaupcharik Shikshan Kendra (SASK)

Republic Day celebration

Shiksha Sopan celebrated Republic day with full zeal at SASK, Barasirohi. Shri Anurag Pandey, Shri Ranjan Upadhyay and Shri Vipin Sharma were present during the celebration. Flag hosting ceremony was initiated by Shri Anurag Pandey and Shri Ranjan Upadhyay followed by our National Anthem. Later on, both of them addressed the children of SASK. Shri Ranjan Upadhyay gave the guest speech and explained the need of constitution and inspired the children to know about the laws under the constitution and follow them. All the dignitaries present there also expressed their valuable views in the form of small speeches.



Shri Anurag Pandey motivated the sopan children and conveyed the actual meaning and importance of the word "Republic" to all children present there. Sopan children also expressed their emotions by singing patriotic songs.

Some of the IITK students Mr Nikhil Kulhari, Mr Nikhil Baranwal, Mr Abhishek and Mr Kush also talked to the children. Me Seema Verma, principal, SASK gave vote of thanks to the dignitaries present there. Plantation at SASK was also a very special activity which was done on 26th January. Mr Anurag Pandey, Mr Ranjan Upadhyay, Mr Vipin Sharma with some other IITK subtends and Sopan volunteers and children planted Tulsi and some other plants useful for our environment.

Swami Vivekanand Jayanti Celebration

Shiksha Sopan Anaupcharik Shikshan Kendra celebrated Swami Vivekanand Jayanti on 12th January, 2017 (Thursday). Mr Nikhil and Mr Kush, IITK undergraduate students, lighted the lamp in front of Swami Vivekanand and showed their gratitude towards him. Both of them talked to the children and told about sacrifices of Swami ji. Children presented speeches on Swami ji and also recited poems and sang patriotic songs.

Subhash Chandra Bose Jayanti Celebration

In a similar fashion, Shiksha Sopan Anaupcharik Shikshan Kendra celebrated Subhash Chandra Bose Jayanti on 23rd January, 2017 (Monday). Ms Seema Verma, Principal, SASK lighted the lamp in front of Subhash Chandra Bose ji and showed the gratitude towards him. She talked to the children and told about sacrifices of Bose ji. Children presented speeches on Bose ji and sang patriotic songs.

<u>Shiksha Sopan Science Cell</u>

Welcome to our New Volunteers

As Shiksha Sopan Science Cell is working so enthusiastically, it needs some working hands to manage different workshops as well as for making science kits. Since last month, we are training some new volunteers. The names of these volunteers are Mr Himanshu (M.Sc.), Mr Vijay Kushawaha (B.Sc.), Mr Arun Sharma (B Tech), Mr Aditya Kamal (B.Sc.), Mr Abhinav Mani Tripathi (B.Sc.) and Mr Harshit (polytechinic).

A total of 6 new volunteers are now trained to work with us. All these are giving more than 3 hours daily because they are also pursuing their graduation/post-graduation. They are doing their graduation/post-graduation from different colleges in different subjects. Shiksha Sopan called a meeting to welcome these volunteers on 04th January, 2017 (Saturday).

Apart from these new volunteers, Mr Amit Kumar Bajpai, Mr Anurag Pandey, Mr Vipin Sharma, Mr Atul, Mrs Pushpa Tripathi, Ms Geeta, Ms Seema, Ms Sunita and Ms Nisha were present there.







Five days workshop at Jammu and Kashmir

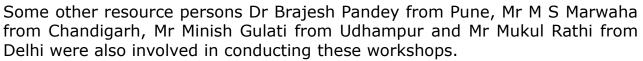
As mentioned in previous newsletter, a series of workshops are planned by Dr H C Verma for Jammu and Kashmir teachers and Shiksha Sopan science cell members are actively involved in making science kits for the trainee teachers. Some of the senior volunteers are also making efforts for giving these workshops a new height.

Workshops at Jammu

A workshop was held from 28th January to 1st February at State Institute of Education, Jammu. Mr Anurag Pandey and Mr Vijay Kushwaha from Shiksha Sopan showed some science experiments in this workshop. A total of 20 govt. teachers attended this workshops. Several workshops are planned in February.

Workshops at Kashmir

In a similar fashion, two workshops were planned at State Institute of Education, Kashmir. These workshops were held on 20th to 24th January and 27th to 31st January, 2017. Mr Amit Kumar Bajpai, Mr Ranjit Kumar and Mr Himanshu Dwivedi from Shiksha Sopan showed some science experiments in these workshops. More than 40 govt. teachers attended these workshops.



More than 300 science kits prepared by Shiksha Sopan were distributed among the trainee teachers till now. More than 30 science experiments can be performed in the classroom using kit. Teachers were very happy by getting these science kits. Dr H C Verma has made a big team for organizing and also for conducting these workshops.

Teachers Interaction Program at IITK

The teachers interaction program was held on 4th January, 2017. The teachers were from different Rajkeey Inter Colleges and from junior government different primary and schools. The whole program was designed by Dr H C Verma, Professor, Physics department, IITK Secretary, Shiksha and Sopan. Demonstrations on physics, chemistry, maths biology were done by professors of and concerning departments.





Sopan Evening Centre

New Year celebration

New year was celebrated on 2nd January at Sopan evening center, Barasirohi. Children of Sopan evening centre celebrated this new year 2017 and made some beautiful paintings. Ms Geeta, Ms Kshma, Mr Rohit, Mr Anand, Mr Anoop Ashthana, Mr Surah and Ms Archana were present there and celebrated the year 2017.

Children's Houses Visit

Ms Geeta Kushwaha, coordinator, Barasirohi evening center visited homes of some students named Jyoti (class 7), Shiva (class 10), Pooja and Saumya (class 4) and Prince (class 3) on 21st January, 2017. In these visits, she talked to the parents of these students and motivated them to encourage them to come at the center regularly.

Visit by Parents of Mr K K Das

Mr Kaustav Kashyap Das, IITK an undergraduate student, to came Sopan evening center with his parents and elder brother Mr Bindava Das. All of them talked to the children and motivated them. They also distributed some chocolates to the children. They visited Sopan evening centre on 02nd January, 2017.



Other Informations

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