

ENGLISH LITERACY PROGRAM: NASHIK ASHRAM SCHOOL PROJECT

A] BACKGROUND:

Ashram schools in the Nashik PO were identified for deployment of the first two levels of the English Literacy Program – Elementary Reading & Elementary Comprehension. The objective is to deploy these levels in **41 Ashram schools** for students from **Grade 3 to 7**.

B] TEACHER TRAINING:

A total of **110** teachers were trained on Elementary Reading on 9th December 2017 and **60** teachers were trained on Elementary Comprehension on 14^h December 2017. Post the training session, a link was shared with the teachers to get a general feedback about the training. Four general questions were asked and the teachers were asked to grade the training on a scale of 1 to 5 (5 being the best). **79%** of the teachers found the training beneficial giving it a rating of 5, **86%** felt that the students will learn these techniques easily and **79%** of the teachers were not aware of these techniques earlier.

C] BASELINE RESULTS:

Baseline tests (Initial Mapping) were conducted at the beginning of the program in the month of Dec, 2017 to ascertain the English capabilities of students from the 41 ashram schools. The mapping test comprised of elements from ASER & LFW Test. They were tested on both the parameters. Mapping was conducted using one to one method and one to many for Elementary Reading, one to one for Elementary Comprehension. The teachers shared the images of the test results which was later populated on an excel sheet manually.

| | Elementary Reading | Elementary Comprehension |
|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| # of students reached | 2,838 | 2,822 |
| Grades | 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th | 6 th & 7 th |

Following were the results:

Elementary Reading

ASER Test

| Grades | Read capital letters | Read small letters | Read words | Meaning of words | Read sentences |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------|------------------|----------------|
| 3 | 71% | 62% | 39% | 44% | 18% |
| 4 | 81% | 71% | 50% | 48% | 19% |
| 5 | 89% | 84% | 55% | 56% | 31% |
| Average | 81% | 74% | 49% | 50% | 23% |

LFW Test

| Grades | Read simple words | Read complex words | Spell letters | Spell simple words | Spell complex words |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 3 | 20% | 16% | 62% | 20% | 16% |
| 4 | 28% | 25% | 75% | 26% | 22% |
| 5 | 36% | 33% | 82% | 35% | 31% |
| Average | 29% | 26% | 74% | 28% | 23% |

Elementary Comprehension

| Grade | ASER Sentences | LFW Sentences |
|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| 6 | 41% | 17% |
| 7 | 46% | 19% |
| Average | 43% | 18% |

D] CERTIFICATION RESULTS:

The Certification Test was conducted on 23rd December 2017 & 24th December to verify how many amongst the trained teachers have understood the teaching techniques of the Elementary Reading and Comprehension level.

77 teachers appeared for the Certification Test for Elementary Reading, out of which 66 teachers cleared the Certification Test with the cutoff of 50 %. 43 teachers have scored above 70 %.

56 teachers appeared for the Certification Test for Elementary Comprehension, 45 teachers have scored above 70 %.

SNAPSHOT

| | Elementary Reading | Elementary Comprehension |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| #. of schools | 41 | 41 |
| Grades | 3rd , 4 th & 5th | 6 th & 7 th |
| # of teachers trained | 110 | 60 |
| # of teachers appeared for Certification Test | 77 | 56 |
| # of teachers certified | 66 | 51 |
| # of students | 3,715 | 3,233 |
| # of students reached (Mapping) | 2,838 | 2,822 |