

# Vignyana Vahini

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## Quarterly Report (October 2011 – December 2011)

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The following is a brief activity report of Vignyana Vahini from October 2011 to December 2011.

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## Mobile Science Lab visits

This Quarter had a decreased number of mobile science lab visits because of month long vacation in October. During the months of November and December, the number of school visits was 14 and 20 respectively. The plan was 18 visits each month.

The fall in the month of November was because of two primary reasons – Prathiba Karanji competitions and organizing the teacher training program. The 2 extra visits in the month of December were to the Viveka Tribal Centre for Learning (VTCL), Hosahalli. We were requested to take classes for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> standards on the chapter of light.

During the quarter, special importance was given to GHS Sagare and GHS B Matakere. Both schools don't have full-time science teachers.

## Worksheets

Worksheets corresponding to all the chapters in Science and Mathematics of the second term for 10<sup>th</sup> standard were printed and distributed to all the participating schools in the month of December. With the SSLC exams coming up, the teachers have shown more interest in the utilization of the worksheets.

Worksheets have also been distributed to GJC Saragur (Boys) and GHS K Belthur. Both schools though not covered under the Vignyana Vahini have submitted requisition letters for the worksheets as well as the Vignyana Vahini visits. Worksheets were also sent to GHS Kailasapuram (near Mysore) and GHS Gurupura (Hunsur taluk).

## Meetings

### Meeting with the BEO

A brief meeting was organized on 24<sup>th</sup> December with Mr. Manjunath, Block Education Officer, H D Kote to seek permission for the activities for the months of January and February. Permission was granted for the following activities –

1. Career guidance and motivation sessions for SSLC students in interested schools. This would include interactive sessions with Mr. Raghu. Career guidance would be done by trained D.Ed students (VTTRC alumni).
2. Exposure visits for students of 5 schools. Students of classes 8 and 9 would visit VSOE campus where they would have some science related activities. This would be followed by a session on basics of computers with hands-on experience.
3. Vignyana Mela was tentatively fixed for Jan 27<sup>th</sup>. A meeting of the education dept. has been arranged for 9<sup>th</sup> January 2012. The meeting would be attended by BEO, BRC, CRPs, ECs, Science teachers and SVYM representatives. The date for the Vignyana Mela would be finalized during the meeting. The roles and responsibilities of all stake holders would also be discussed.
4. A curriculum based science quiz for 10<sup>th</sup> class students of Govt. High Schools. This quiz would be conducted by Mr. Satheesh on Feb 25<sup>th</sup> 2012.

## Training Programs

### Teacher Training Program for High School Teachers

This program was supported by KSTA. The workshop on Biology (couldn't be conducted earlier in the month of September) was conducted on 14<sup>th</sup> November. The resource person was Mr. Girish, Science teacher at GHS Kallurnaganahalli (near Mysore).

All High School teachers were invited for the workshop. However, the attendance was pretty low because of celebrations of Children's Day and a local festival. This issue was discussed with the BEO.

## **Other events**

### **ECO Club**

Under the RMSA, ECO Clubs were started in all High Schools. Several competitions are being conducted as part of the club activities by the schools. Vignyana Vahini participated in the awareness programs on ground water conducted at GHS Madapura, GGHS Saragur, GHS Gandhinagara and GJC Beechanahalli.

Nairmalya Vahini team personnel also participated in the activities at Saragur and Madapura. Dr. Mohan, Director of Vivekananda Memorial Hospital Kenchanahalli gave a talk on Ayurveda and practices to improve our health at GJC Beechanahaali.

### **Pratham Scholarship**

In 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, we contacted 12 students who studied in Government High Schools and topped in the SSLC examinations 2011 in H D Kote taluk. The list of students was then sent to Pratham (an NGO funded by Infosys) for a scholarship program.

After a written test and a survey conducted by Pratham, 3 students received the scholarship. (Vidyashri - Rs.5110 (Beechanahalli); Shwetha B R - Rs.6000 (Kenchanahalli); Ashiya Siddique - Rs.2000 (Saragur)). With the initiative taken by Vignyana Vahini, Nairmalya Vahini and VMH Kenchanahalli we could ensure that these students benefitted from this scheme.

### **Interaction with VTTRC alumni**

Vignyana Vahini plans to conduct career counseling programs for SSLC students during the months of January and February. For the counseling program, VTTRC alumni would be the counselors. An interaction program was organized by VTTRC on 27<sup>th</sup> December to discuss about career counseling. A training program will be organized in January for the 26 interested candidates.

## **Schools covered under the Vignyana Vahini in 2011-12**

Schools covered under the Vignyana Vahini in 2011-12		
S.No	School / College name	School Code
1	G G H S Saragur	EE472
2	G H S Bachegowdanahalli	EE521
3	G H S D B Kuppe	EE512
4	G H S Dadadahalli	EE491
5	G H S G B Saragur	EE511
6	G H S Gandhinagara	EE495
7	G H S Hebbalaguppe	EE167
8	G H S Kanchamalli	EE234
9	G H S M C Tholalu	EE314
10	G H S Madapura	EE106
11	G H S Magge	EE107
12	G H S Mullur	EE123
13	G H S Sagare	EE415
14	G H S Savve	EE428
15	G H S Yarahalli	EE523
16	G J C B Matakere	EE182
17	G J C Beechanahalli	EE130
18	J S S Manuganahalli	EE194
19	J S S Saragur	EE150
20	Morarji Desai School, Saragur (Dept. Of Social Welfare)	