## Site Visit Report: Diksha Patna Center

Visited By: Hrishikesh Sulabh

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**Project Overview:** The Diksha Foundation was set up by a group of trained professionals who felt the urgent need to provide for the underprivileged section of the society. The organization has worked with the economically marginalized communities in few districts of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, India. Diksha focuses on the theme of education and innovates by adding technology to its class rooms. The pioneering project of Diksha is KHEL (Knowledge Hub for Education and Learning). The KHEL Centers are adding modern technologies like Computers, Tablets to existing curriculum and making learning creative and fun. Currently there are 108 students enrolled to the center. Asha Purdue Chapter has been supported the project since 2012 by a total amount of \$11,036 to establish a computer lab and running expenses of Patna center. The project was submitted for WAH 2013 to support the center running expenses for year 2014.

**Site Visit Observations:** Sulabh Uncle had a very positive experience of visiting the Diksha KHEL Patna center. He was very impressed by the dedicated nature of the teachers and staff. He interacted with the children for a long time. The children were very cheerful and excited, they recited poems, presented a short play and the elder children gave a presentation they had prepared for an AIDS awareness camp. The children were comfortable using the computer and they took Uncle's email address and also sent him emails after the site visit. He was very satisfied with their progress and felt that this project should be supported.

The pictures from the site visit are below:

1. Sulabh Uncle interacting with children at the center:











## Children presenting poem/skit:







## Senior children giving a presentation on AIDS:



