

ASMITA

(CENTRE FOR SLOW LEARNERS & MENTAL HEALTH CARE)

Introduction

The centre was established in the year 1989 with an aim to provide care and education to the slow learners children who often remain unnoticed and pressurized to cope up with the curriculum. It is a Centre for Slow Learners and Mental Health Care (a day care Centre / Specific School) is being run by the Organization since 1995 which is the only Centre of its kind in the State of UP. Currently, 50 slow learners are being provided day care services by the Centre.

More than 450 slow learners have been enriched till date (approx. 75 per year). Since ASMITA is involved **to** provide facilities to slow learner children a need is being felt to plan and execute projects in order to understand the exact problems and thereafter work out a special programme for the slow learner children. To fulfill the above mentioned need ASMITA is proposing two projects, which are

- 1. Conducting baseline survey
- 2. Designing special curriculum for the slow learner children

Need for the Projects

Conducting baseline is imperative in order to know exact magnitude of the problems. The survey would give a clear picture of the various problems with slow learner children. The survey would enable us to know the prevalent myths in the society related to slow learner children. Once we know the magnitude of the problems we will be in a better position to manage the problems and make an effort to remove the myths attached to it.

Designing curriculum is the need of the hour for such children. The children falling in this category can not cope up with prevalent curriculum and thus feel lost and often their potential remains unexplored as they have to work very hard to produce good academic result. A special curriculum would give them ample opportunity of learning and explore their potentials.

Duration of the projects

Both the projects require in depth planning and execution therefore the projects would take about two years time to complete its tasks.

Activities under the projects

The survey would be carried out in Lucknow city. Since the city is already divided in to zones it will be done zone wise. A questionnaire would be prepared which would consist of questions pointing out the whether the child falls in the category of slow learner or not and also the kind of problems he encounters in day to day life.

After carrying out the survey in each zone a team of psychologists would analyse the problems and also the percentage of slow learner children in the city. Accordingly the centre would chalk out a plan to cater to these children. Further more awareness programmes would be organized to remove the myths and stigma attached to slow learner children.

The curriculum would be developed keeping in mind the socio cultural set up of our country. The curriculum would be prepared in a scientific manner which enables the children to get education according to their capability and also explore the hidden talent so that they are eventually able to lead a good life.

Expenditure

The projects would be handled by psychologists and counselors. In all a team of 5 persons would be involved in project planning and execution. The only expenditure that would incur for carrying out these projects would be the salary of the 5 (volunteers) persons who will be carrying out the project. The contingent expenses would be met out by ASMITA as agreed upon. The expenditure for the project would be

Rs. 3000.00/- x 5 (per month for 5 volunteer) = Rs. 15000.00/- x 24 (for 24 months) = Rs. 3,60,000.00/-

About the centre

We are a non profit making charitable organization called ASMITA' established in 1989, dedicated to the holy act of rehabilitation of Slow Learners and the Mental health care of all the human race joining hands with us. Ours is an endeavour to make an individual recognize his/her abilities, shortcomings in dealing with the conflicts challenges, and facilitating him in coming out as a winner. It is to make the person feel confident to face any person and any situation.

ASMITA as an organization is having two divisions. One is dedicated to rehabilitate the Slow Learners and the other is actively involved in promoting positive psychological well being among the people irrespective of their caste, age, sex, profession and ideologies.

Facilities at the Centre

- Centre is run in four rooms with all necessary amenities.
- Centre is equipped with advance computer system donated by the State Bank of India.
- Center has Mahindra Marshall for conveyance; donated by the State Bank of India.
- Center has five trained teachers, one helper, one driver and one computer teacher.

· Centre has a panel of Technical Experts & Advisors

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