

1. One of the expenses in learning material is to buy textbooks. Assam state board curriculum, Assamese. Distributed free to kids in Govt schools but in private schools it is not so.

2. Learning material is prepared by teachers based on the training received from Vikramshila.

3. Details of how students progress is monitored? Will send a sample of students progress report (original in Assamese)

4. Students don't have much support at home. All the learning really happens at the JSVN schools. For poor performers could there be other reasons. There are special classes for weak students already.

5. Teachers qualifications? Will be emailed.

6. Who is getting training? Details of the training contents? Typically one week at Vikramshila. Right now it is 3-4 days. Typically new teachers. When the VERC resource person comes, everyone attends.

7. Why teacher attrition? Because of low salaries. Private schools pay higher? 700-->1500-2500.

qualification 12th pass to BA/BSc. BA/BSc for higher grades.

8. Exposure for students. Picnic party type. To give them some enjoyment. Happens locally.

9. Long term interest in students progress. Need to assess the gaps and take future plan of action. Mr. Hemant

10. Libraries: There are only two schools - Guwahati (upper primary) and Dimoria (primary). Mostly story books. Need information about the content of the books. Other schools that have primary level borrow from these two schools.

11. No computers in the schools. For students in classes 5-7 they want to introduce if Asha supports in Shantivan school.

12. Discussion about Sanitary Napkin project. No action performed since the proposal. Suggestion that there should be a survey if low cost Napkins will be bought.

Idea originated from IIT, Guwahati. We need the contact information for the related faculty in IITG to ask technical questions.

One unit has been established in Shantivan with technical support from IITG. This is

running below the planned production quantity. Mr. Hemantha suggested talking to the project team who implemented. Talking to Hembhai will help. Mr. Hemantha will send the numbers of the project staff by email. They are usually available at the office during 10 AM-5 PM.

13. If all new teachers get VERC training, it will help in smooth functioning of schools.

14. Construction of schools. Roofing is remaining. Waiting for better weather. Expect to finish in another 1-1.5 months.

15. Attendance gets affected because rains. Access roads are affected. Distance is about 1/2 to 1 km. Parents are usually laborers, so sometimes if they cannot drop off children can't come to school. Actually rainy season is in June/July to September but this year rains started from Apr. Other reasons are due to health of young children.