

Site Visit Report

Himalaya Water Service Tatha Vikas Avam Paryavaran Sanraksan Samiti (HIMVATS)

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Name of Organization : Himalaya Water Service Tatha Vikas Avam Paryavaran Sanraksan Samiti (HIMVATS)
Date of Registration : 10th Nov. 1997.
FCRA : Cultural, Educational and Social N.G.O.
File No. : II/21022/ 99(0029)/2007
FCRA Regd. No. : 347890007, New Delhi 01/23/2008
Area of Operation : Uttarakhand
Objects : Mobilization of the rural youth, advancement of backward sections of the population thereby eradicating local hardships.
Address : 14/35 G.B. Tikonika, Haldwani.

Objectives of HIMVATS :

- Environment Awareness
- Social Awareness and Nasha Mukti Abhiyan
- Plantation of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants through nature conservation
- Social Empowerment and corruption eradication.
- Social health awareness
- Small savings and importance of physical labor.
- Domestic and social works.
- Knowledge of developmental work and programme.
- Co-operation with other organization.
- Saviddya support.

Management Committee :

- Dr. K. K. Pandey - President
- Mr. Shayam Singh Dhanak - Vice President
- Dr. H. D. Bisht - Secretary
- Dr. R. D. Joshi - Treasurer
- Dr. G. B. Bisht - Auditor
- Mr. Kamlesh Rasyara - Member
- Mr. Diwan Singh Bohra - Member

Objectives of SAVIDHYA :

- Adoption of School.
- Learning and Science Resource Centre.
- Siddha Jagran Seva including child, youth and old citizen.
- Vocational Training Programs.
- Teachers Training.

Adopted Schools :

- Kulethi – Primary School
- Dungra Sethi – Primary School
- Dhakna – Primary School
- Badola – Primary School
- Khark Karki – Primary School
- Kulethi – Junior School
- Dungra Sethi – Junior School
- Khark Karki – Junior School

**Student's Enrollment :
(In Adopted Schools)**

S.N.	Year	Primary School					Junior School		
		Kulethi	Dungra Sethi	Dhakna	Dhakna Badola	Khark Karki	Kulthi	Dungra Sethi	Khark Karki
1	2011-12	85	35	61	38	115	31	78	80
2	2012-13	78	29	41	34	104	50	67	70
3	2013-14	79	26	30	31	81	57	48	77

**List of the Volunteers :
(Teacher's at Champawat and Office Asst., Accountant at Haldwani)**

No.	Volunteer Teacher's Champawat	Salary (pm)	Payment
1	Sri Prakash Punetha	4500	AFE
2	Sri Ashok Tamta	4500	AFE
3	Ku. Bhanu Priya	3500	AFE
4	Sri Chandra Mohan	4500	AFE
5	Sri Muktesh Pachualy	4500	AFE
6	Sri Manoj Pandey	3800	AFE
7	Sri Bhuwan Punetha	4500	AFE
8	Himanshu Adhikari (Office Accountant Haldwani)	5500 +1000	SSF +AFE*
9	Moni (Office Clerk)	500	AFE*

Things those were positive :

- 1- All the children were coming to school in their uniforms provided by SAVIDHYA.
- 2- To ensure health and sanitation each child has been given tooth brush and tooth paste.
- 3- Sports materials and musical instruments have also been made available to the children. Computers have also been provided in the schools and the children have got introductory information to computers.
- 4- The schools also have a small library that has different types of books and Audio, Video C.D. and D.V.D. for the children and teachers. Most of the books, C.D. and D.V.D. were donated by the volunteers, ASHA Foundation and other N.G.Os.
- 5- Student's enrollment in most of the adopted schools is declining in subsequent years.

Gaps that were seen :

- 1- Children are not getting the required attention due to ratio between students and teachers are not well balanced.
- 2- The biggest question posing SAVIDHYA is the future of the teachers, who are employed at a meager salary of Rs 3500 to 4,500, when compared to a government teacher in the same school who is paid a salary of Rs 25,000. SAVIDHYA does not have enough funds for increasing the base salary of the teachers or for offering them any additional incentive for delivering outstanding results.
- 3- Stock register was not properly maintained in regard of price of accessories, issue, and damages at school level.
- 4- Records of uniform, bags, medicine and other facilities provided to students are not properly maintained at school level.
- 5- The books are not arranged with accordance to accession register in library.

Suggestions :

- 1- The remuneration of teachers should be revised, if possible, to retain talent. Teachers should be rewarded for delivering outstanding result, maximum attendance etc to keep them motivated.
- 2- To make the student teacher ratio better- more teachers would needed.
- 3- The teachers must be given training on new styles and techniques of teaching for better quality education.
- 4- The stock, accounts and the documentation at school level must be improved.
- 5- The library needs more attention to maintained properly.

Impact Seen :

- 1- Community showing positive intention towards committee efforts for all round development of their child.
- 2- Because of the better education and achieving good examination results by these schools, the local peoples are beginning to believe in government school again.
- 3- 6 students from Govt. School Kulethi complex (getting educated during winter vacations also -5 from Kulethi and another from our village Darah) succeeded in interring R. N. Vidyalaya. (where they will receive free board and lodge and first class education till class 12th)
- 4- The news was published in Champawat Edition of Amar –Ujala. (The total intake of R.N. Vidyalaya was 60 students; only other school to follow this feat was a Saraswati Shishu Mandir Pvt. School (5 students) No Govt school is near that record.)
