**VTTRC Proposal (2021 - 2022)**

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2020

**Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement**

Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM) is a development organisation, working is a development organization engaged in building a new civil society in India through its grassroots to policy level action in Health, Education, Community Development & Training sectors. SVYM believes that building human and social capital will result in economic consequences.

**Vivekananda Teacher Training & Research Centre**

Vivekananda Teacher Training & Research Centre (VTTRC) has been offering teacher training as the Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed) from 2006 at Hosahalli, H D Kote taluk (near Kabini reservoir). The college was started with an aim to create humane and reflective teachers for the rural and tribal areas of the state.

Over the last 14 years, 335 students graduated from the college. Though the admission rates keep falling in the D.El.Ed, VTTRC continues to be among the very few D.El.Ed colleges in the state which attract talented students and the students are placed in reputed schools after the completion of their course.

In 2020 – 2021, 29 students are pursuing the 2nd yr D.El.Ed program in the college. The admissions for the 1st yr of the program were closed because of the low admission rates during the pandemic crisis.

**Teaching Profession today & NEP 2020**

The teaching profession today is not able to attract talent and is losing out to other fields like medicine, engineering, accountancy, etc. Many schools and colleges are today struggling to get good teachers.

McKinsey in a study of the best schooling systems of the world summarised its findings as follows. The experiences of the top school systems suggest that three things matter most:

1. Getting the right people to become teachers
2. Developing them into effective instructors
3. Ensuring that the system is able to deliver the best possible instruction for every child

It is clear that all the three factors revolve around the teachers. The National Education Policy (NEP-2020) adopted by the Govt. of India also recognises teachers as the key to a quality education system in the country.

**Budding Teacher Program**

The Budding Teacher Program was started by VTTRC as a finishing school program to prepare the teacher trainees to be ready for the role of a teacher (which is much beyond ‘teaching’ or transacting a curriculum in class).

The 1-year long program is divided into 2-phases –

* **Preparatory / Capacity Development** – a workshop mode program for the skill development across 4 areas. Each of the students is exposed to diverse aspects of education with a focus on professional skills.
* **Internship** – trainees are then placed as a part of internship in multiple settings – tribal schools, rural schools, Govt. schools, urban schools, alternative schools, ed-tech companies, educational projects run by NGOs. During this phase, each of the trainee is mentored by experienced professionals and is given regular feedback to constantly reflect and learn from experiences.

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| **Languages (10)** | **Core Subjects (15)** | **Other Subjects (8)** | **Professional Skills (16)** |
| Kannada (5) | Science / EVS (5) | Early Childhood Education & Nali Kali (3) | Life Skills, Counselling & Career Guidance (2) |
| Mathematics (5) | Inclusive Education (2) | Teaching Skills (5) |
| English (5) | Health and Physical Education (2) | School Administration (3) |
| Social Science (5) | Professional Development (2) |
| Value Education (1) |
| Art, Craft & Music (1) | ICT (2) |
| Action Research (2) |

**Future Teachers of India Scholarship Program**

SVYM believes that the future of India is going to be shaped by the future teachers. SVYM announced a scholarship program to encourage talented students to take up teacher training after their PUC (for D.El.Ed.) or Degree (for B.Ed.). 10 students selected from across the state shall receive a scholarship (up to Rs. 60,000 per annum) and hand-holding support in the crucial phase of their training and professional career.

**Proposal to Asha, San Diego**

We request Asha for Education, San Diego to support the teacher training programs at VTTRC incl. the Budding Teacher Program. Through these programs during this financial year, we aim to create at least 50 trained teachers who are ready to take up teaching as a profession in diverse settings.

We request to support Rs. 20 lakhs towards the Budding Teacher Program. SVYM shall mobilise the additional funding required to run the program.

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