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INTRODUCTION

School for Potential Advancement and Restoration of Confidence (SPARC)-India is a non-profit organization with its Head Office in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh (UP) and has been in its existence for 26 years now. The Founder Director and Chairperson, Dr. Amitabh Mehrotra is himself having Cerebral Palsy (CP) with mild spasticity since birth and it was his cherished dream to work for the cause of disability. He did his Post graduation from Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai and served Corporate and CSOs in Bihar and UP. Recently, he completed his PhD from Department of Psychology, University of Lucknow and was awarded PhD degree in Applied Psychology. At present he is nominated as member in Steering Committee of State Election Commission, Government of Uttar Pradesh and nominated as member (renewed) of State Coordination Committee on Disability. He is also member of State Advisory Board on Disability of Uttar Pradesh.

SPARC-India was formed in 1995 and registered in July 1996, as a voluntary organization which aimed to empower people with various disabilities especially people with CP. SPARC-India started its Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) program in the year 1996 for persons with disabilities (PwDs) in the urban slums of Lucknow. The thrust of the program was on health and medical rehabilitation, formation of Disabled Persons Organizations (DPOs) / Self-Help Groups (SHGs) of PwDs & their families and to establish linkages with the government schemes.

In due course of time, SPARC-India gradually established Jyoti Kiran School (JKS) for children with CP in the year 2003. Recently, SPARC-India has been aligning itself to the philosophy of 'Inclusion'. It emphasizes that inclusive environments will help in minimizing segregations and deep-rooted misunderstandings and prejudices between the children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged sections of the society. In 2005, SPARC-India setup a Vocational Training and Placement Cell for PwDs to provide placement services to them. SPARC-India has immense experience in imparting vocational training and skill development programs for PwDs.

SPARC-India established Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch (UPVM) to develop a support system for CwDs / PwDs to help them exercise their statutory rights and avail entitlements. SPARC-India has provided counselling to approx. 12000 community members, vocational training to about 2500 PwDs and has created self-employment opportunities for more than 1200 PwDs and their family members.

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

SPARC-India in collaboration with SBI Foundation initiated the Inclusive Education (IE) in 10 Direct Government Primary Schools and 10 Indirect Schools in Lucknow from April 2022 for children with disabilities.

SCHOOL CHALE HUM

“*School Chale Hum*” campaign was initiated to ensure that each child including children with disabilities can be linked to formal education in regular schools. In this campaign all the students of the school were gathered in a playground in a circle with the support of school’s principal / teachers and whistle, rattle and drums were distributed to them. All the students made a sound for 1 minute through whistling, rattle-ring and drumming for creating awareness for each child’s right to education. The main aim of the campaign was to make the children aware of the importance of education and inclusive education. The campaign was initiated in 5 schools in this current quarter.



At the end, the children assured that they will come to the school regularly in a clean and well-dressed manner. They also pledged that they will go to the houses of all the children whether challenged or non-challenged, living near their house, who are not going to any school and would talk to them and their parents to motivate them to go to school. If unsuccessful, then they will tell the school’s teachers and SPARC-India team so that they could further intervene.

S. No.	Activity Name	Place	Date
1	School Chale Hum	PS Faizullaganj	12 th July 2022
2	School Chale Hum	PS Ghazipur Balram	15 th July 2022
3	School Chale Hum	PS Lahorganj	19 th July 2022
4	School Chale Hum	PS Baraulia	20 th July 2022
5	School Chale Hum	PS Iradat Nagar	21 st July 2022

SMC TRAINING

Trainings were conducted for SMC members on Inclusive Education. The main aim of the training was to make the SMC members aware of the importance of education, importance of SMCs, rules

and responsibilities of SMCs along with need and importance of Inclusive Education and how they can contribute towards the development of the school.

All SMC members showed their interest towards discharging their responsibilities on time and would contribute to the betterment of the school. They also assured that they will be more punctual in ensuring their child's studies and regularity and will also attend the school's meeting (SMC, PSG etc.) regularly.



S. No.	Activity Name	Place	Date
1	SMC Training	PS Gaughat	13 th July 2022
2	SMC Training	PS Iradat Nagar	28 th July 2022
3	SMC Training	PS Paltan Khadri	2 nd August 2022
4	SMC Training	PS Baraura Hussain Bari	3 rd August 2022
5	SMC Training	PS Pulgama	4 th August 2022
6	SMC Training	PS Ghazipur Balram	10 th September 2022

TRAINING OF SCHOOL MANAGERMENTS ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION AND INCLUSIVE SCHOOL SETUP

Trainings of School Management on Inclusive Education and Inclusive School setup was conducted for school's principal and teachers, SMC members and parents / guardians. The main aim of the meeting was to make the parents aware of the importance of SMCs and importance of implementation of Inclusive Education. The parents asked questions regarding their concerns that they face on daily basis in reference to their children.



S. No.	Activity Name	Place	Date
1	Training of School Management on Inclusive Education and Inclusive School setup	PS Gaughat	13 th July 2022
2	Training of School Management on Inclusive Education and Inclusive School setup	PS Iradat Nagar	28 th July 2022
3	Training of School Management on Inclusive Education and Inclusive School setup	PS Triveni Nagar	22 nd August 2022
4	Training of School Management on Inclusive Education and Inclusive School setup	PS Baraura Hussain Bari	3 rd August 2022
5	Training of School Management on Inclusive Education and Inclusive School setup	PS Baraulia	7 th September 2022
6	Training of School Management on Inclusive Education and Inclusive School setup	PS Faizullaganj	28 th September 2022

ORIENTATION OF RESOURCE TEACHERS ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

A one Day Orientation Program of Resource Teacher on Inclusive Education was organized on 26th July 2022 at DIET Hall, Vidya Bhawan, Nishat Ganj, Lucknow with a clear perspective of orienting the resource teachers on the concept of inclusive education. The Key Speaker at the event were **Mr. Siddharth Dwivedi** (Administrative Officer, Dr. Shakuntala Mishra National Rehabilitation University, Lucknow), **Dr. Amitabh Mehrotra** (Founder Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India), **Mr. Muklesh Kumar** (Rehabilitation Officer, CRC, Lucknow) and **Mr. Rajeev Ranjan** (Assistant Professor, Speech & Hearing, CRC, Lucknow). **Ms. Meenu Tiwari** (District Coordinator, Inclusive Education, BSA Office, Lucknow) also attended the event. About 20 Resource teachers of Lucknow were present in the orientation program.



INCLUSIVE CHILDREN'S PARLIAMENT

Inclusive Children's Parliament (ICP) meetings were conducted for creating awareness on child rights and formation of ICP for school's students. The main aim of the meeting was to make the students aware of their rights along with the meaning, process of formation and benefits of ICP. Importance of parliament, election process and the roles of the elected members in ICP were also explained to the students.



At the end of meeting, many children showed their interest in contesting the election for the formation of ICP.

S. No.	Activity Name	Place	Date
1	Inclusive Children's Parliament	PS Pulgama	16 th August 2022
2	Inclusive Children's Parliament	PS Paltan Khadri	17 th August 2022
3	Inclusive Children's Parliament	PS Triveni Nagar	22 nd August 2022
4	Inclusive Children's Parliament	PS Gaughat	23 rd August 2022
5	Inclusive Children's Parliament	PS Baraura Hussain Bari	24 th August 2022

MEETING WITH PARENTS OF CwDs AND MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY

Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and members of community on Inclusive Education was conducted for creating awareness for Inclusive Education among the parents of CwDs and members of community. The main aim of the meeting was to make them aware of prenatal, natal and post-natal precaution, how to apply for all types of pensions, importance of education for all etc.



S. No.	Activity Name	Place	Date
1	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Adarsh Nagar	10 th August 2022
2	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Ghazipur Balram	18 th August 2022
3	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Gaughat	26 th August 2022
4	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Brahm Nagar	29 th August 2022
5	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Lakarmandi-2	01 st September 2022
6	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Faizullaganj-1	02 nd September 2022
7	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Nayapurwa-2	12 th September 2022
8	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Lahorganj-2	13 th September 2022
9	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Azad Nagar-1	14 th September 2022
10	Meeting with parents / guardians of CwDs and community	AWC Baraura Hussainbadi-1	26 th September 2022

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

15th August also known as Independence Day is a special day for India because on that day in 1947, India got independence from the British rule. Hence it is celebrated annually as a National Festival all over India to commemorate and honour that day.

SPARC-India celebrated 76th Independence Day (Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav) with great zeal and enthusiasm. **Dr. Amitabh**



Mehrotra (Founder Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India) hoisted the National Flag followed by the National Anthem in the presence of all the staff members of SPARC-India and also celebrated it with the students of PS Faizullaganj. The energetic & enthusiastic students gave their tribute to the martyrs by singing patriotic song and dance. Dr. Mehrotra congratulated and wished all the students and teachers on Independence Day and he also told many inspirational and motivational things in his speech. At the end, the

snacks were distributed to all the students.

TRAINING ON RIGHT TO EDUCATION ACT 2009 & INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

Trainings on Right to Education (RTE) Act 2009 and Inclusive Education was conducted for creating awareness for RTE Act 2009 and Inclusive Education among the parents & caretakers of CwDs.

The main aim of the meeting was to make the participants aware of RTE Act 2009 and the provisions mentioned in the Act including Inclusive Education. The training was attended by parents and guardians of both challenged and non-challenged children.



All the participants showed their interest that they would focus more on their ward's education.

S. No.	Activity Name	Place	Date
1	Training on RTE Act 2009 and Inclusive Education	SPARC-India office	20 th August 2022
2	Training on RTE Act 2009 and Inclusive Education	35 PAC, Mahanagar	27 th August 2022
3	Training on RTE Act 2009 and Inclusive Education	AWC, Nehru Nagar	03 rd September 2022
4	Training on RTE Act 2009 and Inclusive Education	PS Ahibaranpur	06 th September 2022
5	Training on RTE Act 2009 and Inclusive Education	SPARC-India office	22 nd September 2022
6	Training on RTE Act 2009 and Inclusive Education	PS Iradat Nagar	27 th September 2022

TRAINING ON ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING

Trainings on Activities of Daily Living (ADL) for the parents and caregivers of children with disabilities were conducted for creating awareness among parents and caregivers of CwDs. The main aim of the meeting was to make them aware of what precautions to take during pregnancy and how to help the child in practicing ADL so that slowly they can become independent. Parents and caregivers of CwDs asked questions relating to the issues faced by their child in conducting daily activities.



S. No.	Activity Name	Place	Date
1	Training on Activities of Daily Living	SPARC-India office	20 th August 2022
2	Training on Activities of Daily Living	SPARC-India office	22 nd September 2022
3	Training on Activities of Daily Living	UPS Ghazipur Balram	24 th September 2022

CONSULTATION MEET ON "TOWARDS CREATING AN INCLUSIVE SOCIETY"

A one-day Consultation Meet on "Towards Creating an Inclusive Society" was organized on 25th August 2022 at DIET Hall, Nishat Ganj, Lucknow. The Chief guest at the event was **Mr Ramesh Pandey** (Director, CRC, Lucknow).

Mr. Pandey spoke about the need of sensitivity and awareness among the people working in different departments working on disability and need of farsightedness in developing projects for the welfare of persons with disabilities. He said that CRC, Lucknow has space and can help in



rehabilitation of people with disabilities. Participants from 7 organizations participated in the event.

TRAINING OF TEACHERS OF GOVT. PRIMARY SCHOOLS ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

Two-Day Training of Teachers of Govt. Primary Schools on Inclusive Education were organized on 19th & 20th September 2022 at DIET Hall, Vidya Bhawan, Nishat Ganj, Lucknow with a clear perspective of training regular teachers on the concept of inclusive education and how it can be achieved in the schools. The Key Speaker at the event were **Mrs Pankaj Arya** (Lecturer, CRC Lucknow), **Mrs Sabita Shukla** (Lecturer, CRC Lucknow), **Mrs Garima Mishra** (Special Educator – ID, CRC Lucknow) and **Mrs Seema Yadav** (Lecturer, CRC Lucknow). Topics covered in the training included Identification of Disability, Early Indicators of Learning Disability in School Children, Alternative Learning Strategies, Role of ICT in Inclusive Education, Curriculum Adaptation for CWSN, Resource Room Management, Accessible School Environment and Promoting Seating Behaviour in CWSN. About 22 Regular teachers of Lucknow participated in the training.



TRAINING OF PRINCIPALS OF GOVT. PRIMARY SCHOOLS ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION & INCLUSIVE SCHOOL SETUP

One Day Training of Principals of Govt. Primary Schools on Inclusive Education & Inclusive School Setup was held on 21st September 2022 at DIET Hall, Vidya Bhawan, Nishat Ganj, Lucknow for training of principals on the concept of inclusive education & Inclusive School Setup and how it can be achieved in the school. The Key Speaker at the event were **Mrs Pankaj Arya** (Lecturer, CRC Lucknow) and **Mrs Sabita Shukla** (Lecturer, CRC Lucknow). The topics covered at the training were Enrolment and retention of CWSN, Promoting UDL in classrooms, Promoting school inclusiveness and Implications of NEP 2020 w.r.t. CWSN. About 23 principals of Govt. Primary Schools of Lucknow participated in the training program.



NUKKAD NATAK

2 *Nukkad Natak* (street play) were organized on 23rd September 2022 at Shahdoshi Baba ki Dargah and Iradat Nagar in Lucknow. The main aim of *Nukkad Natak* was to create awareness about disability in the community. The *Nukkad Natak* depicted the plight of children / persons with disabilities and how if given chance they could do wonders for themselves, their family and society.

People gathered to observe *Nukkad Natak* had a lot of fun. They all applauded and encouraged the actors of *Nukkad Natak*.



The *Nukkad Natak* was conceptualized and presented by the Natak Baz Team.

QUANTITATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS

- Baseline of previously identified 10 Direct Primary Schools and 4 Indirect Schools continued
- 6 New Indirect Schools were identified for intervention
- 12 CwDs and 8 Non-challenged were identified who were either never enrolled in a school or were drop out of school
- 20 CwDs and 116 non-challenged children were identified and enrolled in schools
- 5200 (non-challenged children, their parents, community, AWC, DPOs etc) were sensitized and made aware of Right to Education and IE and RPwD Act 2016
- 5 “*School Chale Hum*” campaign programs were conducted
- 5 Training for School Managements on IE and Inclusive School Setup were conducted
- 1 Orientation of Resource Teachers was conducted
- 4 Training of SMCs were conducted
- 3 Training on Activity of Daily Living was conducted
- 5 Inclusive Children’s Parliament meeting were conducted
- 10 Meeting with parents of CwDs and community were conducted
- 6 Training on RTE & IE were conducted
- 1 Consultation (Networking) Meet was conducted
- Two-days Training of Regular Teachers were conducted
- One day Training of Principals on IE & Inclusive school set up was conducted
- 2 Nukkad Natak (Street Play) were conducted
- 5 CwDs were enrolled for AIDs & Appliances
- 15 Challenged and non-challenged children were enrolled for Aadhar Card
- 12 CwDs and 5 PwDs were enrolled for disability certificate
- Interventions with 58 CwDs (which include 20 CwDs enrolled under the IE Program, 26 CwDs which were previously enrolled in the Direct/Indirect Schools and 12 CwDs in the community) were conducted

PRESENTATIONS

Dr Amitabh Mehrotra (Founder Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India) participated in various webinars and meetings which were organized by various organizations. The list is given below: -

MR KAMLESH (GM TELEPHONE) VISITED AT SPARC-INDIA

On 7th July 2022 **Mr Kamlesh** (General Manager, BSNL (Operations)) visited Jyoti Kiran School, SPARC-India. **Dr Amitabh Mehrotra** (Founder Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India) greeted Mr Kamlesh and told him about the organization. Dr Mehrotra and Mr Kamlesh exchanged their views on Project which can restore BSNL services and starting services for CwDs and PwDs. Mr Kamlesh showed his interest in visiting Jyoti Kiran School and SPARC-India again in the future.



FOURTH NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (NAC) MEETING

The Fourth National Advisory Committee (NAC) meeting was organized on 8th July 2022 through Zoom Platform. Dr PK Seth, Dr Amitabh Mehrotra, Mr CV Singh, Mr Bipin Jojo, Justice Verma, Mr Shankar Venkateswaran, Mr Rajesh Tandon, Dr Ramesh Pandey, Mr Narendra Mehrotra and Ms Rashie Sinha participated in the meeting. The main agenda of discussion was development made till the time mentioned in the earlier meeting and the way forward.



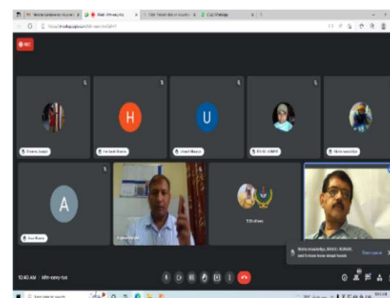
Dr Amitabh Mehrotra started meeting with a brief introduction of all present and gave a presentation on the work done by SPARC-India and also informed the action taken on the recommendations of the Third National Advisory Committee meeting. After the presentation, all the attendees shared their suggestions regarding various programs, generating funds for SPARC-India and future role of SPARC-India etc. At the end, Dr Amitabh Mehrotra closed the meeting by thanking all for their time and valuable suggestions.

NATIONAL WEBINAR ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

A two day National Webinar on “Inclusive Education” was virtually held from 26th July 2022 and 27th July 2022 through Google Meet. The webinar was organized by CRC, Lucknow.

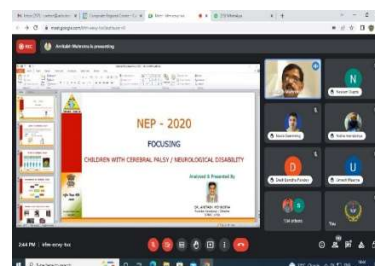
First Day:

Dr Amitabh Mehrotra (Founder Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India) was been invited to join the webinar as a guest. He shared his views, experiences of life, why Inclusive Education is required, and National Education Policy: 2020. Dr Mehrotra spoke about the benefits of Inclusive Education which can impact the education of all children. He talked about the accessibility issue that CwDs face in education. About 146 participants were present in webinar on the first day.



Second Day:

Dr Amitabh Mehrotra was invited as a speaker on the second day of the webinar. Dr Mehrotra spoke on the topic “National Education Policy: 2020 Focusing on Children with Cerebral Palsy / Neurological Disability”. He also spoke about Inclusive Education along with its need and importance. About 141 participants were present in webinar on the second day.



VISITED AT SPARC-INDIA FROM TATA PRO-ENGAGE

TATA Pro-Engage Volunteers visited SPARC-India on 6th August 2022 to have an overview of the different programs of SPARC-India. **Dr Amitabh Mehrotra** (Founder Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India) informed them about SPARC-India and its different programs. TATA Pro-Engage team interacted with the Inclusive Education Program team. They showed their interest towards working in the Skill Development & Placement program and Jyoti Kiran School.



MEETING OF NIPPUN BHARAT ABHIYAN

Dr Amitabh Mehrotra (Founder Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India) is a member of NIPPUN Bharat Abhiyan. He attended the first meeting on 24th August 2022 to discuss the recently developed accessible worksheet for the children with visual disabilities of class 1-3 to verify if it followed the objectives of ‘NIPPUN Bharat’. The meeting was presided over by **Mr Vijay Kiran Anand** (SPD, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyaan, Govt. of UP). An officer from UNICEF presented the worksheet and said that curriculum cannot be changed so only worksheets were developed to attract the children to the schools.

Dr Mehrotra gave his comment that worksheet should be developed according to the individual needs of children with different disabilities rather than a common worksheet for all. Dr Mehrotra

said that if curriculum was same for everyone then it would be difficult for children with neurological impairments. His insights and inputs were welcomed by everyone. Mr Anand said that till now government has not thought on these lines and it needs intervention of Government of India.

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION MANUAL RELEASE

Jan Vikas Samiti – Liliane Foundation organized two-day State Level Seminar in collaboration with CRC, Lucknow for Inclusive Education Manual Release on Inclusive Education, Child Rights & Gender on 26th & 27th August 2022. **Dr Amitabh Mehrotra** (Founder Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India) was invited as a Resource Person.



Inclusive Education manual was prepared under the Inclusive Education program which was run by SPARC-India with the support of Jan Vikas Samiti in 3 districts of Uttar Pradesh viz, Barabanki, Lucknow and Sitapur. SPARC-India was responsible for implementing the project in Barabanki and Lucknow. Dr Mehrotra shared his views, experiences of life, why Inclusive Education is required and Child Rights etc.

INAUGURATION OF ONLINE COURSE INCLUSION MATTERS

A virtual meeting (through Zoom) was held on 29th August 2022. The “Inclusion Matters” Course was sponsored by ADAPT & The Women’s Council, UK. ADAPT trained over 350 participants from 20 countries in the Asia Pacific region under the course. Dr Mithu Alur (Founder, Chairperson, ADAPT) was coordinating the meeting. She started the meeting with welcome speech. She introduced Dr Amitabh Mehrotra (Founder, Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India) shared his life experiences, ideas and suggestions. Candidates from all over the world participated in the meeting and shared their experience, views.



CRAFTIZEN TEAM VISITED SPARC-INDIA

Craftizen team visited SPARC-India on 10th September 2022 to overview the possibility of collaboration of the Vocational Training Program for underprivileged woman, persons with intellectual disability and traditional artisans at SPARC-India, Lucknow. Dr Amitabh Mehrotra (Founder Secretary cum Director, SPARC-India) greeted Mr Vivek Sheel (Sr Program Manager, Green Skilling) and Ms Roli Misra (Sr Program Manager, Lucknow) and introduced them to the SPARC-India team. Craftizen team had interacted



with Dr Mehrotra regarding Vocational Training and also viewed the vocational training set up. Craftizen team showed their interest in collaborating for the Vocational Training Program.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

The AGM was organized on 24th September 2022 at SPARC-India head office. Mr Uma Shankar Singh (President, SPARC-India), Dr PK Seth (Vice President, SPARC-India), Dr Amitabh Mehrotra (Secretary, SPARC-India), Mr Rajeev Sharma (Treasurer, SPARC-India), Dr Sheela Dhasmana (Member, SPARC-India), Dr Anil Rastogi (Member, SPARC-India), Mr SK Seth and Mr Narendra Mehrotra (Member, SPARC-India) participated in the meeting. The meeting was conducted in the hybrid mode and some of the participants attended it through Zoom.



Dr Amitabh Mehrotra started meeting with introduction of all members who had joined the meeting. Dr Stuti Srivastava (Program Manager, SPARC-India) gave a presentation on the work done under various programs of SPARC-India and after that Mr Rajeev Sharma and Mr Shailendra Kumar (Consultant Accountant, SPARC-India) gave their clarification of accounts of SPARC-India.

All the attendees then shared their suggestions for betterment of various programs and accounts of SPARC-India. At the end, Mr Uma Shankar and Dr Amitabh Mehrotra thanked everyone for their valuable time and suggestions.

CASE STUDIES

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

MOHD. HAMZA

Mohd. Hamza is a 13-year-old child with Intellectual Disability of moderate level and lives in Lahorganj, Lucknow. There are three members in his family which include father, mother and a younger brother. His father Mohd. Arif is a tailor and his mother Mrs. Shabnam Khatoon is a housewife. The monthly income of the family is not enough to meet out the basic needs of the life.



During the intervention, the IE team of SPARC-India assessed aspects like education, social behaviour, physiotherapy, activities of daily living etc. of Mohd. Hamza. His parents said that they were very scared of sending Hamza to school because they came to know that in the previous school their child was beaten by the teachers. After interventions, the team decided to enrol him in Primary School Lahorganj for the overall development. Hamza suffers from fits due to which he can fall anywhere and at any time when he has fits so the teachers were apprehensive of keeping him in the class. But the IE team of SPARC-India assured the teachers that their Special Educator would come to give educational sessions to him. His parents took the responsibility of bringing him to school and taking him back from school twice a week. As per the need, the Special Educator of IE team visits his home and also makes home-based plans for him.

After one-month of continuous efforts of Special Educator, Hamza showed improvement in his behaviour like now he greets the teachers in school and enjoys with others students of his class. He has become obedient and disciplined.

He is very happy to know that he is going to school and his parents are also very happy seeing the changes in his attitude. They are happy and want him to get good education to build up his career so that he becomes self-dependent one day.

MANTSHA BEG

Mantsha Beg is a 13-year-old child with Cerebral Palsy who lives in New Basti, Daliganj, Nirala Nagar, Lucknow. There are two members in her family which include father and mother. Her father Mr. Mohd. Noor Beg is a driver and her mother Mrs. Shafiya Beg is a housewife. The monthly income of the family is very low.



During the intervention, the team assessed aspects like education, social behavior, physiotherapy, activities of daily living etc. of Mantsha Beg. Her parents said that she used to go to the madrassa for education near her home, but after a few days she stopped going to the madrasa due to the pain in her legs and back pain and now has been staying at home ever since. After assessment, the team decided to enroll her in Primary School Iradat Nagar for the overall development. Her Disability Certificate was not available so the IE team of SPARC-India helped her through the process of getting the disability certificate. In the beginning she hesitated and was scared to speak to anyone. She did not know how to write her name, her father's name and could not do addition or subtraction.

After two-months of continuous efforts of Special Educator, Mantsha showed improvement in her behavior like now she greets the teachers in school, talks with her friends and enjoys her time at school. She writes her name, her father's name and does addition & subtractions.

She is very happy to know that now she is going to school and her parents are also very happy seeing the changes in her attitude and they appreciate the IE team of SPARC-India for it. They want her to get good education to build up her career so that she becomes self-dependent one day.

FARHA NAZ

Farha Naz is a 12-year-old child with Mental Impairment and lives in Azad Nagar, Balaganj, Lucknow. There are six members in her family which include father, mother, two elder brothers and two elder sisters. Her father Mr. Mohd. Akram is an embroiderer and her mother Mrs. Zubaida is a housewife. The financial status of the family is not very good.



During the intervention, the IE team assessed aspects like education, social behavior, physiotherapy, activities of daily living etc. of Farha Naz. Her parents said that she used to go to a special school near her home, but due to COVID-19 that school was completely closed so now she has been staying at home ever since. Her parents were worried about enrolling her in the school. After interventions, the team decided to enroll her in Primary School Baraura Hussain Bari for the overall development. Her Disability Certificate was not made so the IE team of SPARC-India helped her through the process of getting the disability certificate. In the beginning she was shy and would not answer the questions asked to her or would not speak or greet anyone. She was hesitant in conversing with anyone. She did not know how to write her name, do counting or read alphabets viz. ABC.

After two-months of continuous efforts of Special Educator, Farha Naz showed improvement in her behavior like now she greets the teachers in school and is happy being at school. She has made new friends in school. She can now write her name, count up to 20 and write alphabets up to F.

She is very happy and wants to go to school every day. Her parents are also very happy to see the changes in her attitude and behavior towards studies. They want her to get good education to build up her career one day.
