



Newsletter

Employability Skills for Underserved

"Education is not filling a pail but the lighting of a fire. - William Butler Yeats



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PERSPECTIVE – Volunteering Myths



At NIIT Foundation, we have been working with corporates to encourage employee volunteering. With busy lives, it can be hard to find time for volunteering and we observe that often volunteers don't turn up despite commitment. Successful volunteering requires that we address a few myths associated with volunteering.

Myth #1: *I am already so busy/stressed at work, I don't have time to volunteer.*

Yes, volunteering will take away time from your daily life, but the gains are well worth the effort. One of the volunteers who visited our skill center shared how he had to dig deep within him to connect with the youth. Understanding their aspirations in life helped put his own priorities in perspective.

Myth #2: *When I decide to volunteer, half the battle is won.*

Sure, enthusiasm is a necessary condition for volunteering, but not a sufficient one. Equally important is perseverance and effort. We need to treat volunteering as a project – we need to plan, learn, execute.

Myth #3: *Volunteering is meaningful only when I work at grassroots*

Social change requires support at many levels, not just grass roots. Sometimes volunteering to support people who work at grassroots creates a bigger impact.

Myth #4: *I need some specific skills to volunteer.*

Only skill required is the willingness to make a difference. If you want to help people then there are numerous ways to do that and your commitment is all we need.

Volunteering has the potential to bring about a big change in society. It can rejuvenate those who choose to volunteer, and guide those who benefit from that volunteering. **So volunteer today – it's a win-win for all.**



Sapna Moudgil
Director

SUCCESS STORY

He stood tall against all odds.

Sameer lost his father at a very young age of 10. His mother was left with a small pension of Rs. 1000 forcing Sameer and his younger brother to sell vegetables after school to support the family.

Sameer's hard work & dedication helped him finish his schooling; however fate had a different plan for him. When he was 18, a road accident left him with a permanently injured left leg.

At the mercy of relatives and friends, the prospect of a dark future loomed large over the horizon and this mental anguish coupled with the physical injury made him restless.

Challenging the fear, he looked for a professional course that would fetch a decent job. However he was left disappointed as most of the institutes told him that he might never get a regular job due to his injured leg.

When he joined the HCCB NIIT Foundation Career Development Centre in Ameenpur, he knew that this is the opportunity to bring his life back on the track.

He completed his course and today he works at Karvy and earns around 7300 Rs per month. He stood tall against all odds and worked to create a better future for himself and his family. We are proud of youth like Sameer!

"I was about to lose all my hope but then I came across HCCB Career Development Centre and my life started coming back together. Today, I am employed and independent despite my physical injury. This initiative has helped me in restoring my faith in myself."

**-Sameer
Career Development
Centre, Ameenpur**



SPECIAL MENTION

Tata Teleservices Volunteer Engagement Program

Tata Teleservices is one of the pioneer organizations that are combining Individual Social Responsibility with Corporate Social Responsibility by encouraging employee volunteering in the social sector.

To encourage the spirit of volunteering and giving among employees, Tata Teleservices and NIIT Foundation joined hands again this year. The goal was to make a meaningful and clear impact on the under-privileged students and give an opportunity to employee volunteers to expand skills, build upon strengths and connect with their community. Sessions on retail management , BPO training, Interview skills & Personality development were conducted at Hoshiyarpur and Madanpur Khadar centers and more than 10 volunteers including senior managers participated in the program.



Volunteer Speak

“It was indeed a pleasure to conduct sessions with young and aspiring students of NIIT Foundation’s Hoshiyarpur Center. I congratulate NF Team for their important contribution to Skill Building Program for Underprivileged section of our society.”

- Amit Joshi

“I have visited the NIIT Foundation Centre for the first time. It was a memorable & unique experience and I felt that NF is really making a difference in young generation’s life. I am happy to learn about the good work NF is doing”

- Shweta Arora

EVENTS



Successful Job Fair Conducted

Successful Job Fair for prospective job seekers was organized at Nizamuddin Centre in November 2015. The event witnessed participation of more than 7 companies and over 100 students.

Indonesian Delegation Amazed

Mr. Anies Rasyid Baswedan, Minister of Education and Culture of Indonesia visited the Chanakyapuri Hole-in-the-Wall learning station. Mr. Anies & Delegation was amazed with the impact this project has created.



NIIT Foundation Team Reignited

Annual Meet was organized with an intention to engage, ignite & inspire employees to perform to their highest potential. The team aligned themselves to perform as per new goals set during the meet.

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Exciting session with Mr. Kamal Nath

Kamal Nath, Ex Minister of Urban Development and current member and pro tem speaker of 16th Lok Sabha, interacted with students of DLC Chhindwara. He was impressed with the caliber of the students.

Industry Visit Organized for Retail Students

Visit to V-Mart was organized for the Students of Retail Course. This visit gave first hand exposure to students on best practices, actual shop floor work experience & challenges at work.



Assessment Sessions Conducted

Successful Assessment sessions were organized at the Centers of our NReach partner, Magic Bus. Students who cleared the exam received the completion certificate.

FOCUS

Partnership with NIIT Technologies



NIIT Technologies has collaborated with NIIT Foundation and launched its CSR initiative “Shiksha” at Dankaur Village, Greater Noida. This initiative intends to impart education, employability training and digital literacy to children, youth and elders (up to the age of 60 years) of Dankaur and nearby villages. This center offers courses like — Basics of IT, Advanced IT, Social Networking, and English Foundation for the children. For the youth, the Centre offers industry specific courses like showroom Retail, Data entry and BPO.

The goal is to bring a deep change in this village by encouraging the youth to become change agents.



“Technology is an integral part of everybody’s life, thus, IT education is extremely important. This initiative will help in developing educated India where men & women alike will be empowered”

Arvind Thakur,
CEO- NIIT Technologies



PROJECTS

Transform Communities through Education and Employability Skills Training



NIIT Foundation (NF) is a not-for-profit education society that makes critical interventions towards upgrading the skill base and employability of the marginalized youth in urban slums and rural areas. We are actively seeking partnerships with like-minded corporate aligning their CSR goals to our organizational mission.

Corporates, Individuals, NGOs and Funding Agencies can connect with us in varied ways. Please do write to us at Contact@niitfoundation.org to explore synergies.

NIIT Foundation Facts

Non-Profit, Registered in 2004
Society Reg. Number: S/50787
80G: Yes
FCRA: Yes

QUICK UPDATES

PERFORMANCE AREAS	TOTAL
Direct Beneficiaries in last 5 years	115,066
Direct Beneficiaries this FY	27473
Percentage of girl students	38%
Percentage of placed students	88%
No. of NGO partners	175
No. of industry partners	Over 250
Indirect Beneficiaries	Over 2 Mil
No. of centers	29

New CSR Partnerships

We welcome our new partners; **Asian Paints (Hole in the Wall Project)**, **NIIT Technologies (Skill Development Centre)**, **Microsoft (NReach Project)** and hope together we will create a difference in the lives of the underserved community in our county.

We are thankful to all our partners who are standing with us in our mission to reach the unreached.

Contact us to explore more:
contact@niifoundation.org

Individual Sponsorships

Many NIITians came forward to support needy youth through fee sponsorship, mentoring and volunteering sessions by enrolling in the IGive Program of NIIT.

You can join our heroes by choosing to Give. As a start you can share this newsletter with all your friends, as any new connection may have the possibility of bringing hope for a needy youth. You could also visit our centers and capture stories of personal victories of students or volunteer with us.

Thank You
 For
 Sponsoring
 US



Some students who received IGive scholarship recently.

CENTRES

Begumpur : Basti Vikas Kendra, Behind Begumpur Bus-stop, Delhi -110017; **Paharaganj**: 9329/1, Gali No.7, Multani Dhandha, Paharaganj- 110055, **Gurgaon** : S-37/8, 9, First Floor, S Block, DLF Phase -3, Gurgaon- 122002 , **Madanpur Khadar**: H. No 317, Chauhan Mohalla, Manshukh Singh Marg, Near Global Academy School, Madanpur Khadar, New Delhi – 76 **Noida**: Sec -51,Hoshiyarpur,Near Shivalik Hospital , Noida -201301; **Civil Lines**: No. 2 Raj Niwas Marg, near Shah Auditorium, Civil Lines, New Delhi; **Ghaziabad**: Gram Niyojan Kendra, Adhyatmik Nagar, Opp. IMS Engg. College. Dasna, Ghaziabad ; **Nizamuddin**: MCP School, Hazrat Nizamuddin Basti, Delhi-110013. ;**Brahmpuri** : C-185/36, 1st Floor, Above MTS Office, Main Brahmpuri Road Delhi -110053; **Ashok Nagar**: B-52, (OLD) No 267, B Block, Near Peeli Kothi, New Ashok Nagar, New Delhi-110096;**Chennai** : 21, Mettu Street Kazhipattur, OMR Road, Chennai -603103 ;**Sansailo**: Sansailo Tata Colony, In front of Play Ground, Sansailo, Dist: Jajpur -755018; **Khurda**: c/o N4-345, I.R.C. village, Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar-751015; **Ameenpur**: 16-107/8/6/2 Plot No. 7/b, icrisat colony, phase #2, near icisat colony watertank beeramguda, Ameenpur Medak - 502032; **Pirangut**: C/o Mr. Sanjay Patil, House No. 2016, Trimurti Complex, Pirangut -Lavale Road, Taluka Mulshi, Dist.Pune-411042 ; **Bidadi**: Gangadharaiah S/o Lt. Subedar Lingappa, Dr.No 650, Nalli gudde road,Opp to Karnataka Bank, Bidadi, Hobali, Ramanagara -562109; **Chhindwara DLC**: NIIT District Learning Center, near FCI warehouse Seoni road, Chhindwara - 480002, **Barkuhi DLC**: Barkuhi old VTC building, near SBI Barkuhi, Madhya Pradesh- 480447; **Ambala**: Parijat Urja Chakra Village- Fategarh, Tehsil- Naraingarh, District- Ambala, Haryana- 132104; **Pune**: Flat No. 01A, 1st Floor, H No. 257A, Hadapsar, Pune-411028 ;**Manatira**: Tata Steel skill Development Center , Near Jagannath Temple,Po: Manatira ; **Gobarghati**: Gobarghati Tata Colony, Goberghati, Kalinga Nagar, Dist.- Jajpur -755026 ;**Gopalpur**: Above Bajpayee Bajaj, Near Octroi Gate, Main Road, Khodasingi, Berhampur , Ganjam - 760010 ; **Duburi** : Near Hero Show room, Duburi Chowk, Kalinga Nagar, Dist- Jajpur-755026 ; **Dankaur**:Unchi Building, Dankaur Chowk , Dankaur village, near Yamuna Expressway, Greater Noida-203201

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