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# Shiksha Sopan

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The month of August was very busy for Shiksha Sopan volunteers as well as for children. The main events of this month were Independence Day and Raksha Bandhan. All the center of Shiksha Sopan celebrated all the festivals with great enthusiasm. A very important program done by Shiksha Sopan in this month was a conclave of senior members who actively played a role in in the formative period of Shiksha Sopan. In the whole month of August, science cell was busy in creating experiments for NAEST 2019.

## Sopan Initiators Meet

The following members participated in the two-day meet on 31<sup>st</sup> August and 1<sup>st</sup> September. Dr Chandra Shekhar Sharma from IIT Hyderabad, Dr Chandan Upadhyay from IIT BHU, Dr Ashish Bhateja from IIT Goa, Dr Sameer Khandekar and Dr Anurag Tripathi from IIT Kanpur and Dr Anshuman Dalvi from BITS Pilani, besides the present Kanpur team. Mr. Atul Kumar presented the major activities, starting from its inception, its logo, its struggle and growth. The main Initiator members who came for this meet are very happy to see the various activities run by Shiksha Sopan. During this session, all the coordinators of different cells gave brief presentation about their work. Our initiators appreciated the scale of work. They were also gifted some memento by the coordinators of Shiksha Sopan.



Our Science cell team (Ranjit, Vijay, Abhishek, Aman,) lead a guided tour of Science galleries developed at Sopan Ashram. perform some experiments of Optics, Magnetism, and Mechanics. They showed Tesla Coil, Tornado Effect, Height measuring sensor, Intensity of light and many more. These experiments were made by Science cell team at Ashram only. Initiator members took lot of interest in all these models.

Following this, the they conducted a number of brain storming sessions to plan out possible future directions in which Sopan and Sopan Ashram can contribute. The meeting concluded on 1<sup>st</sup> September with the resolve that this group will lead the future course of action at Sopan Ashtam.

## Sopan Anaupcharik Shikshan Kendra (SASK)

Apart from the regular classes, special activities like Plantation, Special Craft, Independence day celebration were conducted at SASK in August. In this month children of SASK were also given books by Amit Kumar Bajpai Ji.

### **Plantation**

On 9<sup>th</sup> August Children made hanging planters from the waste bottle and hung them beautifully on the walls. In order to make the environment green and free of air pollution, all the children planted trees of their own name at the premises and these children take care of their plants everyday. By planting saplings, the children resolved to make the environment pollution free.



### **Special Craft**

On 10<sup>th</sup> August special craft classes were held in which children learned how to make beautiful Rakhis. With silk threads, pearls and stones, children made Rakhis for their well wishers. These Rakhi were so beautiful.



### **Independence Day Celebration**

On 15 August, 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day was celebrated at Shiksha Sopan Anaupcharik Shikshan Kendra. The flag was hoisted by Dr. Sameer Khandekar, senior volunteers of Shiksha Sopan Amit Kumar Bajpai ji and Atul ji, PhD student Shirish ji jointly offered wreath and flowers on the statue of Mother India.

The stage program of Independence Day was conducted with great enthusiasm by Lakshmi, a student of Class-8th.



In this program, children presented songs of patriotism and Muskan, a student of class-7, gave brief information about Chandrayaan-2 and congratulated scientists of ISRO team for India's great achievement.

Sameer Sir encouraged all the children to work with rules while explaining the difference between freedom and wayward. Children also celebrated the festival of Raksha bandhan. Seema ji tied a Rakhi with tilak on the foreheads of Sameer sir and H.C Verma sir and the children of the school tied Rakhi to the students of IIT and fed them sweets.

## Barasirohi Evening Center (BEC)

In this month Barasirohi evening center did many activities apart from Academics. Evening center also welcomed new students of IITK who joined as volunteers at Barasirohi evening center.

### **Visit by IIT Student Anuj ji**

On 3rd August, the centre was visited by Anuj ji. During this visit, he took a special class of Mathematics and Social Studies for 1 hour for students of classes 5th to 8th. It was a mix of different areas showing the web of phenomena in Nature. There were also discussion on the map of India and also the historical heritage of Uttar Pradesh and Kanpur. Seeing the children's curiosity about these historical things, Anuj Ji sent 5 maps to the centre on August 24, through Abhishek Ji.



### **New Students**

On 6<sup>th</sup> August, Abhishek ji brought 16 IITK students to visit the centre. All the students talked to children of the centre and gave them information about themselves. They also made them aware of the subject which they will be teaching at centre. From August 7, these IITK volunteers started coming to the centre to teach.



### **Raksha bandhan and Mehndi program**

On 14<sup>th</sup> August, all the children and volunteers celebrated Raksha bandhan and Mehndi program at the centre. On this day, all the students of the centre put tilak on the forehead of the students, tied colourful Rakhis on their wrists and fed them sweets. The students gave them some gifts. During this program, IITK students Laxman ji, Dhananjay ji, Rahul ji tied Rakhi to the children and wished them good luck.



### **Janmastami Program**

Barasirohi Evening center celebrated Janmastmi on 24<sup>th</sup> August with full of Fanfare. IITK student Rahul chanted a Shlok to begin the celebration and that was followed by Aarati of Shri Krishna. Children of class 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> came in the dresses of Radha and Krishna. They looked very beautiful. The whole program was anchored by Rahul ji and at the end Prasad were distributed to children and volunteers.



## National Sports day

on 29<sup>th</sup> August Various sports were organized at the centre on National Sports Day. Kabaddi competition was organized between the children of class 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>, in which two teams A and B were formed and match was played. Along with this, some other games like chess, ludo, musical chair etc. were also conducted. Gaurav ji provided some interesting information to all the children about hockey wizard Major Dhyanchand and also explained the importance of games in our life.



## Sopan Library

In Sopan library, writing competition was organized and books were distributed as prizes to the winners. In August month, results of Polytechnic was announced in which children from library performed well. The names of the children are Mano (75%), Archana (74%), Anand (71%), Rohit (71%) and Vikas (70%). Another Library member Preeti passed M.A securing 60% of marks.

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