

# Newsletter

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# **Computer Shiksha**

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Computer Shiksha is a team of like minded people working towards computer literacy among underprivileged children. Our mission is to provide Computer Knowledge and Training with passion and commitment, to deliver Value in the form of Computer trained people, who use this skill for the betterment of their lives in every possible way.

## **268 Students awarded Certificates**

Computer Shiksha started with 60 students on May 5, 2012. It has been almost 3 years now.

Last year in July 2014 **77** students were awarded the certificate for completion of the entire course. This year **268** students have been awarded the certificate of completion of the course. To recap what you already know the duration of the course is generally 72 weeks and every school has almost 200 students enrolled at a given point of time.

The breakup of these 268 students is as under -

Sr. #	Name of the School	# of students	Date of certificate distribution
1	Govt. Secondary School, Chakkarpur, Gurgaon	90	23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2015
2	Sankalp School, Gurgaon	57	24 <sup>th</sup> February 2015
3	Government Middle School, Sector 14, Gurgaon	56	9 <sup>th</sup> March 2015
4	Happy School, Gurgaon	65	20 <sup>th</sup> March 2015



All "Friends of Computer Shiksha" were invited to join in the award ceremony and we are happy to share that those who could, did. It made the event more special for us.

Next year we are expecting the graduation number of students to double.



# Another Corporate Sponsorship

We are now pleased to share with you that another corporate Excel Ware Housing Pvt. Ltd. is now sponsoring half the cost of one node.



http://www.excelwarehousing.in/index.html

You will recollect that maintenance for 1 node of Computer Shiksha (which takes care of 500+ students) has already been sponsored by a C.K. Birla company Gmmco for one year.

# Himalaya Wellness becomes a partner

In the October 2013 newsletter we reported that Himalaya Wellness sponsored a box of 12 hand sanitizers.

After that the organization continued to sponsor small quantities on our request.

However this January when we requested CEO Mr. Phillipe Haydon to sponsor our hand sanitizer requirement for all the students of Computer Shiksha on an ongoing basis he agreed.



A large credible organization like Himalaya Healthcare supporting us a) Ratifies our belief that we must be doing something right

b) Helps us carry this story of credibility to more corporates to help us raise funds to manage and grow our operations to take the benefits of Computer Shiksha to more under privileged children in the world.

### **Preventive Health Check for all Computers**

Our laptops as you know have a rough and tough life. When we started operations in

May 2012 we bought 15 laptops and in a couple of months we had 15 more. Out of those 30 laptops 2 have broken and have been discarded. 13 of them have been refurbished and should hopefully last another one year.

To keep our machines in good health when schools are not having computer lessons during vacations or examination times our



trainers make sure that all machines are in good health!

But it looks like that in the coming year a large part of the Node 1 IT Infrastructure would have to be replaced. More expenditure!!

## New School at Choma village added

On 22<sup>nd</sup> April, Computer Shiksha will add another school. This is the Government Middle school in Choma village.

In fact to start classes we needed Inverters to be in place and the inverters cost Rs. 60,000/-. We uploaded a request for funding of the inverters on Facebook and within a week we had commitments from several people to fund in parts and though all the money is not in – we have placed the order to the vendor knowing well that the money is on the way. Now we are all set to start



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Posted by Swapnalekha Basak 🖓 - 18 March at 10:38 - Edited - 🛞

Request for funding of Rs. 60,000 for buying two 1500 VA inverters and electrical wiring.

We want to start computer classes at Choma Village, in Gurgaon. The launch date is set: 22nd April 2015. We have the laptops in place. Trainers are in place. However the school does not have inverters there without which we cannot start classes.



classes. A big Thank You to all "Friends of Computer Shiksha". You are Friends in Need and hence Friends Indeed!

Keep an eye on the Computer Shiksha Channel on Youtube to watch some new videos to be uploaded. http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwz0HyjfKhXWFmOKKto1Vhg