

# SETU MARCHES

#### **Dear Readers**

This quarter January to March 2021 was cut short by COVID 19, despite this we were able to meet our commitments to our stake holders. We also played an active role in providing food to people affected by COVID 19. At Setu we are trying hard to support them during this period by providing them dry ration. Many individual donors have come up and join hands with Setu. Together we can be a support in their lives. Happy reading and stay safe at home. Class 10 and 12 wrote their board exams however till was also curtailed by COVID 19.

at Village Nithari Sector 31 and Village Aghapur Sector 41 Noida Setu team on 29/3/2020 -

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#### Celebration

Lohri Celebration: Festival was celebrated with full enthusiasm. Senior girls and teachers danced on folk music. Sweets was distributed to all. A celebration with difference across all centres of Setu started with Bicycle distribution to needy students, blankets to students with 100% attendance and ration distribution to all students at Setu School and finally a workshop started on Agarbatti making for students witl



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Republic day: was celebrated with fun and fare at Setu, students from The Setu Centre for People with Special Need, Setu Skill Centre and Setu school Nithari enthralled the audience with their performance after the flag hosting Ceremony. Parents, teachers and students appreciated the performance of the students. Food hampers were distributed to the students courtesy Mentor Graphics India. In addition we also celebrated Saraswati Puja in which

Teachers along with students organized a puja and distributed Prasad.



#### Interschool Activities



**Mayoor School visit**: Under interschool exchange program students and teacher from Mayoor visited Setu twice in this quarter. Setu students were invited in **Mayoor Carnival** where they were given free rides and food coupons. They also received return gifts from them. At the **Mayoor Sports** meet like every year Setu students are invited in their sports meet. They took part in relay race.

**Interschool sports meet by Concern India:** Every year Setu participates in this competition. This year also our students went for the event and won first prize in relay race. More than ten NGO schools participates in this. Our students are all-rounder.



**Health camp:** We also organised an Ear checkup camp was organized for all beneficiaries with the help of Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of speech and hearing disabilities. They covered all students and employees of Setu at Nithari. As part of our Health Initiative, a **Workshop for teachers on Health:** Ms. Anupama, yoga instructor conducted interactive session for school teachers. Some simple yoga exercises were taught during the session.





## Gift Distribution at SETU

# There were many occasions for Gift distribution to students during the Quarter:

**While** the toppers of our School Manisha Singh, Neelam, Mansi and Renu Kurmi got Higher Education Scholarship, 10 students selected on performance basis, distance from school and their regularity to school were handed over Bicycles

As winters set in with Xmas Celebrations and New Year 2020 set in we distributed rations on the occasion of **Makarsakranti** to all students of the school. Students with 100% attendance were given blankets in this winter. On the occasion of Xmas and New Year gifts of choice was provide to all our students







# **Ration Distribution During COVID-19**



Looking at the current situation as COVID 19 affects all of us especially the Marginalized our teachers are in regular touch with their students to give them moral support and healthy tips. During their conversation they shared their need of dry ration for which a drive was initiated to collecting funds to fulfill the needs of the beneficiaries. Till now 235 families have been covered across school and skill.



#### Activities At Skill Center

This quarter January to March 2021 was cut short by COVID 19, despite this we were able to meet our commitments to our stake holders. During this period 532 students were certified across various Vocational courses across all our Centres - at Jaipur 121, in Nithari 210 and at Sadarpur 201. We also had record placements in the curtailed period 148 in total. We also played an active role in providing food to people affected by COVID 19

**New project at PDW center:** Our endeavour is to upskill our people with special need so that they become self-dependent. In collaboration with Society for Child Development we started a project on incense stick making at our PWD center. Students are learning this new skill with full enthusiasm and dedication.

**Paper bag making activity** was also carried out and the students were taught how to make paper bags from newspaper and handmade paper.

#### Tree Plantation Drive

With an aim was to make OUR Special Needs Students aware of environment and about seasonal and permanent plants, a plantation drive was organised at the PWD center. Senior management members were involved with special needs students and encourgared them while they also enjoyed the environment created by the students.







"The Special need students also Visit to Noida Flower show and participated in card making activity at Noida flower show. Republic day was celebration on 26th Jan 2020 and Students from Skill center participated in republic day celebration at Nithari location. Saraswati Puja celebrationwas also organised across all vocational skill center of Setu."

#### **Guest Lectures**

During Quarter Guest lectures were organised for the vocation skill students at our vocational Learning Centres.

**Guest Lecture Session for Beauty Students**: On 13<sup>th</sup> Jan Ms Savita from Jove Conscious Foundation took a session on haircut and hair styling. Student learnt about the step style of haircut which was a new learning experience for them.

**Youth Leadership Program:** Setu along with Creatnet launched a Youth Leadership Program for the students of vocational Skills. The first batch started in March 2020 and shall be extended slowly to all students. This is a six month project in which they will be trained to take up leadership roles for their community.

**Carrier Counselling Session:** At Sadarpur Center, Joint Director of NCS, took session on Career opportunities in various sectors. In another session taken by Dr. Shri Vidya students shared their area of interest and were given guidance how they can decide on what should be their professional career.

In addition Employee Engagement Programme was conducted by Mr. Hari Verma Associate Manager from Barista took the session and he shared opportunities at Barista. The Centre team at Jaipur team got an opportunity to attend a talk show with Papa CJ and Punit Modhgil. At the Career Counselling Session in Nithari Mr Mohit from NIIT took session on job opportunities and another session was taken by Mr Pradeep, Team Leader at Cognizant Technologies for IT students.

# Food Distribution During COVID-19



Which all of us in India were practicing social distancing during the lockdown period, thousands of daily wagers ran out of funds to buy basic needs. The Govt. was fighting many battles across India, Nonprofits contributed towards welfare of needy. Setu also stepped in and started with providing dry ration on the basis of need shared by students of skill courses at Sadarpur and Nithari Centres.



# Health Camps At Skill

**Ear Check-up camp:** Ear checkup camp was organized for all beneficiaries with the help of Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of speech and hearing disabilities. They covered all students and employees of Setu at Nithari

## **Success Stories**

### Meet Neeraj – a Fashion Designer



Neeraj is married woman, belongs to a family of 5 where woman's career is not important, however she always wanted to become self-dependent and take up her family responsibilities. She enrolled and successfully completion of 4 months FD which helped her take up a job and she is now earninf Rs 10,500/- per month.

Neeraj is a hardworking and keen learner this bought out a drastic changes in her life style after getting job. She is able to support her family considering that her husband who is jobless due to his ongoing health issues. She is now able to fulfill her family's daily needs, she is no more dependent on her sons and feels super proud to be financial self-dependent. Her job also helped her in boosting her confidence and now she can go anywhere alone and do all her work herself. She even takes her husband to the hospital alone for regular checkups. In her own words – "I cannot thank SETU enough for changing my life and making me capable enough to take care of family, I am very happy that my dream has come true"



### **Annu an Insurance Agent**

Annu lives in Village. Her father works as a driver and he earns Rs 15000 per month. She always wanted to be independent and help her family and make her parents proud by doing well in life. While she was pursuing graduation 1<sup>st</sup> year from School of Open Learning, she joined a 3 month vocational Skilling course Computer at Setu and on completion got a job.

She works with Max Life Insurance as an agent where she currently earning Rs. 10000 per month. Annu feels that she has become more focused and career oriented after attending the Skill Course and getting a job. She was very regular during her training period & now she is maintaining this regularity at her workplace as well.