



Bringing opportunities to the underprivileged

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Complementing the academics



In the present context of globalization, the demand for skilled and multi skilled workers has increased. Therefore in the context of developing countries, such as India, there is a critical need for quality skill development and training. It is also imperative that the students equip themselves with the right skill sets at right time to shape their career in the right direction.

To enhance the employability of the students in building professional career by augmenting employability skills, OM Foundation started **SN Methi Skill Development Program** in the school campus at Hoshiyarpur campus. Going beyond just educating the students, the program focuses on developing the soft skills of the students with a professional understanding of computer application, English communication & personality development.

The foundation started the program on the auspicious occasion of Basant Panchami. During the inauguration, Mr Deepak Methi and Mr Sanjay Drabu interacted with the students and motivated them about the 'dignity of work'. They emphasized on the fact that no work is small or have lower values. It's just the matter of perception, which is creating a gap in demand & supply of proper manpower.

The program aims to equip the youth of the community with the skill sets which will make them employable by the end of the program. The long term focus of the program is to create more number of job creators than job-seekers.

From the School

Annual exam results and PTM

The excitement level was at a much higher edge on the day of distribution of the mark-sheets of students, after their annual examinations. Large number of smiling faces with their score cards in their parent's hands gives us a satisfaction that OM has been successful in its endeavor.

The score cards are mainly given in the hands of parents so that a platform for a healthy interaction and feedback from both the parents and teachers can be generated. The management of OM closely observes the feedback and look forward for the improvements suggested. Parents-Teachers



A shift from traditional teaching

With an aim to shift the focus from teaching to learning, to encourage curiosity and creativity along with critical thinking, the teachers of OM School went through "Hamari Kaksha" workshop organized by Aavishkaar, a center for Science, Arts and Technology.

The workshop was focused upon enhancing the innovation and class room engagement skills. The focus was to engage the children to ask questions, get involved in the activities that can give them a better understanding of the concepts and to innovate in the learning techniques. It was a fun 4 days for the Maths & Science teachers of OM Foundation as they went



Celebrations

A pledge for a clean environment

It was a fun filled Sunday on 19th February for OM students when they pledge to keep the environment clean during the "PHD Chamber Swachh Paryavaran Campaign" rally on Rajpath, IndiaGate, NewDelhi. OM school group was one of the participants in the campaign organized by PHD Chamber and showed great interest in the underlying facts related to the "Clean India Mission" of the Government of India.

The students shown their creativity through attractive posters & slogans during the walk and decorated their faces with different colors. Coir group of the school presented choral songs during the 2.2 km walk on Rajpath, which was one of the major attractions during the event. observes the feedback and look forward for the improvements suggested. Parents-Teachers conference held quarterly play an important role in understanding the child's development from both the perspectives.

Celebrating the 68th Republic Day

The 68th Republic Day was celebrated in all its solemnity and grandeur at OM Foundation School. The students took pride in glorifying and celebrating the spirit of unity, upholding the honor and integrity, diversity and uniqueness that is "India".

Commodore Sachdev, the Chief Guest for the event started the day with flag hoisting. The school echoed with patriotic fervour as the children drew scenes of Republic Day celebrations, sang patriotic songs, and even wore tri-coloured clothes to mark the occasion. The melodious music and graceful movements of the dancers were spellbinding.

For the occasion, students of 4 houses decorated the school with beautiful theme based rangolis which drew everybody's attraction.

Creativity through the art

In life 'knowing how' is just as important as 'knowing that'. Art, craft, painting and design introduce the concept of creativity and curiosity and enable learners to think imaginatively and develop confidence in other subjects and life skills.

To enable this curiosity, OM Foundation organized an Art Exhibition in the school premise in collaboration with Saksham Bharti. It was an interschool art exhibition where the students from various other schools visited OM Foundation and showcased their talents in painting & creations.



Wish tree for Govt. School Students

Students from the nearby government schools were super excited to receive the gifts brought by the volunteers from GlobalLogic. Prior to that, a campaign was being hosted for these students, where they were asked to write their wishes on a piece of paper, while we told that we will make sure to fulfill the wishes.

It gave a sense of mixed feeling when we received the papers with their innocent and deeply rooted wishes written on it. One can easily correlate the situations at their homes, schools and communities by going through their wishes. While most of the students asked for stuffs like cycle, laptop, and school bags etc., some intangible wishes forced us to think differently. Some students want to see their family happy, some want good education. One child wants to help his father by earning; one other wants to see no one fighting on any issue. One student also put forward that he wants to take admission in OM Foundation School. The wishes like these cannot be fulfilled overnight, but need proper dedication and effort from all sides to get completed.

Felicitating the beneficiaries with certificates

OM Foundation has always believed in commending the beneficiaries to inspire them to scale greater heights. A felicitation ceremony was held on 5th January 2017 to award the certificates to the ladies beneficiaries who have completed their certificate course in stitching & tailoring.



Mr Varun Joshi, from Sopra Steria graced the occasion and presented the certificates to the beneficiaries. The ceremony was witnessed by the team of Sopra Steria, the proud partners of this project.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr Joshi spoke about the importance of money management and urged the ladies to start saving a portion of their earnings and investing it for better returns.

Mr Sanjay Drabu, appreciated the efforts of ladies, who have shown their interest in production work and earned good sum of money by stitching the school uniforms. Mr Drabu asked the ladies to complete their education by at least 12th class and assured the assistance in completing the same.

Empowering women through livelihood

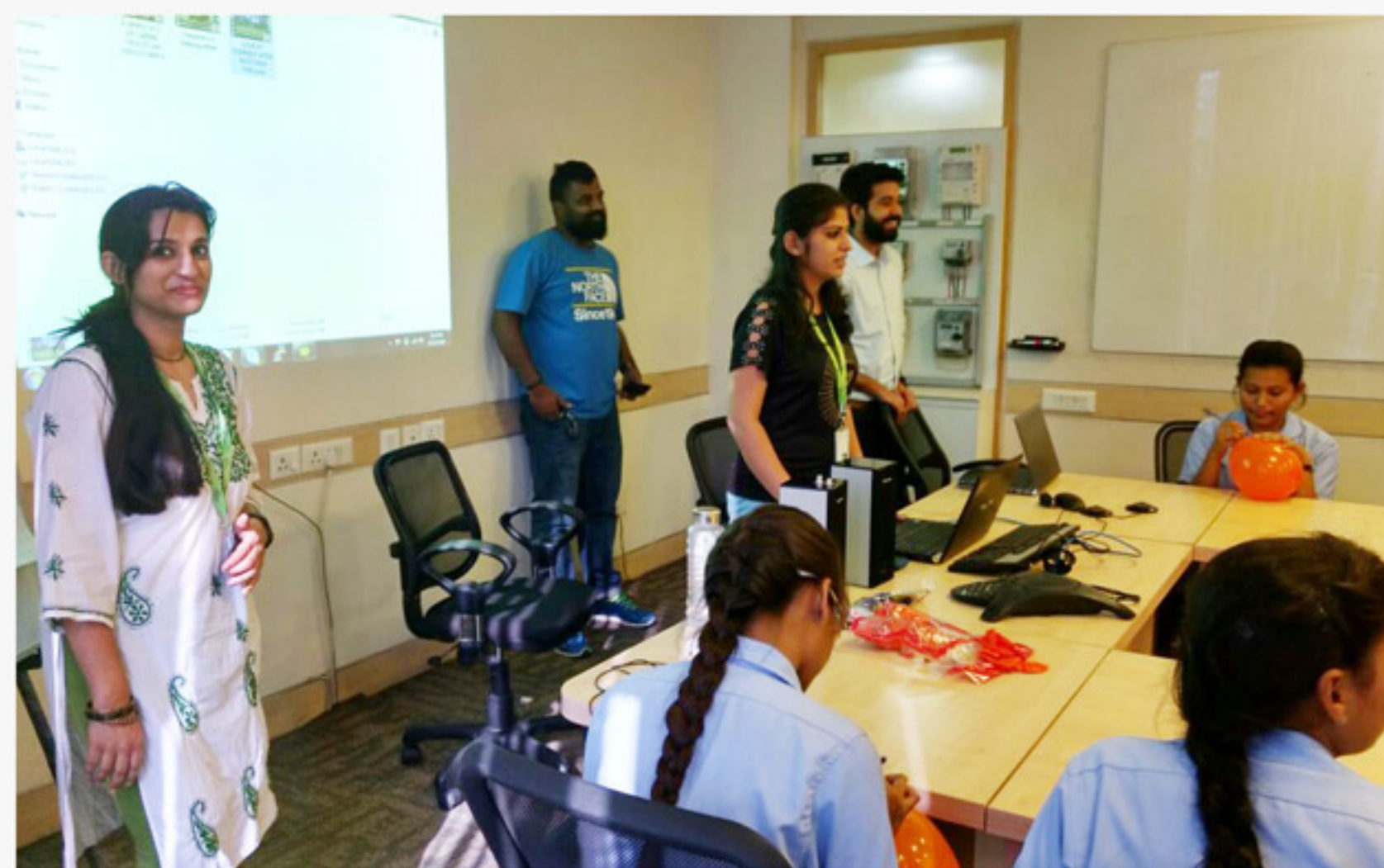
Going beyond just providing the stitching and tailoring skills to the ladies from underprivileged community, a need of livelihood generation has been felt. The long term objective of our women empowerment program is to empower the ladies of the nearby community to start their micro enterprises. The foundation has been serving as an incubation centre for these high aspiring ladies entrepreneurs.

In the quest, the Foundation worked with Barclays to provide assistance in getting these ladies a corporate job. During the process, 9 ladies have been successful in getting placed in some Delhi based companies.

Activities & Volunteering

Leadership talk with LandisGyr

Under their flagship CSR project, MERCI, LandisGyr has been working with the students of OM Foundation in grooming their personality and making them familiar with the corporate culture and work style. In the process, the student got an opportunity to interact with the leadership team of LandisGyr. The interactive session proved to be an eye opener for the students.



“Plant a Tree – Support a Child” by Barclays

Barclays have been a great supporter of OM Foundation when it comes to individual contribution towards a cause. Yet another fundraising campaign “Plant a Tree – Support a Child” was organized by the individuals from Barclays where they motivated their colleagues towards planting a tree in their homes and the amount received by selling of the plants will go towards supporting the primary education of OM Foundation students.



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