



Suresh Dada Scheme for
Educational & Entrepreneurial Development
सुरेशदादा शैक्षणिक व उद्योजक विकास योजना

Our Vision:

“To seed talented students for successfully acquiring entrepreneurial skills and enhanced employability at global level.”

Dnyan-Yadnya (ज्ञानयज्ञ)

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Suresh Dada Scheme for Educational & Entrepreneurial Development (SD-SEED) provides scholarships to needy and deserving students of Jalgaon District.

SD-SEED is committed to provide them with various long term education related benefits in a systematic manner for their all-round development.

There are many who have spent their childhood and youth in poor conditions, which can lead to frustration, but they did not give up. They took it as a challenge and continued to fight. They did not accept the circumstances imposed by society and took steps to re-invent themselves. They motivated themselves to reach their targets and made their place in society. We see such individuals around us. We see students from financially weak backgrounds make outstanding progress, as compared to those who get all facilities and financial backing. SD-SEED is doing commendable work by awarding the 'Matoshree Shrimati Premabai Bhikamchandji Jain Higher Education Scholarships' to enable students to fight and overcome the challenge of poverty.

There are times when we think, that by not giving today's generation the inheritance of poverty, are we limiting and killing their fighting spirit? It is said that the poor and needy do not have relatives and they find friends who are like themselves. The moment life stabilizes and we begin to enjoy a little prosperity, it is then that we have to face severe health problems, accidents, droughts and other similar sudden and unfortunate situations. Under these circumstances, students are confused. They have uncomfortable questions in their minds, like, how will I be able to meet my educational expenses? Fear, confusion and worry arise in their mind and this leads to frustration. We should always remember that problems will not be solved by worrying and they are not permanent. We should find a solution to come out of the problem and make all efforts to change the situation. We should always keep ourselves happy. We should also choose friends, who will help us to be happy in life. Our relatives are given to us at birth, but we can ourselves choose our friends and this is a very fortunate thing. We are ready to make adjustments and compromises for our friends. Sometimes it is possible that our friends take us in the wrong direction. It is an art not to be tempted and firmly say no to such friends. Friends, learn to say 'No.'

Earlier our education system taught us to 'Live and Let Live.' However, the situation is rapidly changing due to privatization and globalization. In the Corporate sector, companies want only their products to sell and the

competitors to be destroyed. There is fierce competition at all levels. All of us are running. In this situation, there are three scenarios before us:

(1) The deer running to save his life; (2) The cheetah running to catch another animal; and (3) No one's life is to be taken, no one should be frightened, we should live like the elephant - strongest and fearless. You have to decide how you would like to live your life - as a deer or cheetah or elephant.

Many have written in their autobiographies that they studied under municipal lampposts. Some people have distributed newspapers, milk, worked in hospitals and taken up other similar part-time jobs to earn a living. No job is big or small. We should always have dignity of labour. Working and studying together is not a matter of shame, but a matter of pride. In order to successfully achieve our target, we need to make continued efforts and put every minute to good use. Our preparations will make us ready to meet all opportunities. TV, Cinema, etc. can be obstacles in achieving our goals. We should have limited needs. We cannot afford to be spendthrift. Money is not everything in life. We are people who stay in a society and should always think of others. We can get a lot of satisfaction by doing things that are beneficial to others. Many of our beneficiaries have volunteered to work with us and be of help to society.

It gives me immense pleasure to inform you that many of our beneficiaries have completed their education and are today working in various fields. This is a very commendable task done by SD-SEED and is truly the vision of SD-SEED coming to life.

We are very pleased to present you the second edition of our Newsletter, 'Dnyan Yadnya.' We hope all of you will like this issue and look forward to receiving your feedback. Before concluding, I would like to share with you one of my favourite lines - "We have wasted the day if we have not laughed whole-heartedly." I wish you happiness always.

Nilkanth Gaikwad
- Editor

Cover Description:

The cover page gives a speechless message. In order to help students find a solution to their problems, lead them out of darkness and ignorance, SD-SEED has given them light and tried to brighten their future.

*प्रकाशाचा महामेरू चारही दिशात माझा पसर दे,
गुणवंत प्रज्ञावंत, दुर्बल माझ्या लेकरांना प्रकाशात त्या न्हावू दे,
आयुष्याच्या वाटेत कधीच न वाटो त्यांना अंधाराची तमा,
सदैव पाठीशी राहिलो मी तेवत प्रकाशाचा ज्ञानरूपी दिवा...*

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SD-SEED RESEARCH

Keeping student welfare and development in mind, SD-SEED has carried out an in-depth research on various programs and has based its future plans on the data obtained thereof.

Analysis

The beneficiaries of SD-SEED are spread in 15 Talukas of Jalgaon District. They are studying in Jalgaon and in other cities, enrolled in approximately 400 colleges in the country. Post an education review of these beneficiaries, an analysis was conducted of their educational needs and based on which programs are planned.

We have compiled data of schools and colleges to conduct programs for our beneficiaries more effectively. They will receive guidance as per their educational needs.

We are pleased that in this academic year, 400 beneficiaries have successfully completed their education, out of the total beneficiaries.



In the last four years, approximately 6,500 students have benefitted from SD-SEED scholarship and new students are added every year.

Through the analysis, an important fact has come to our notice that the drop-out rate is 20-30% among our beneficiaries. We contacted such students and received different reasons.

The main reasons are : weak financial position, lack of educational awareness among parents, failure in exams, delay in getting educational loan, late declaration of results, delay or wrong filling of the admission form, marriage, etc.

Measures

To solve these issues and help students gain an educational advantage, SD-SEED is planning various measures, like:

- Recommendation for part time job placements, to strengthen the financial position of the student;
- Conducting Guidance sessions at Taluka level to create education awareness among parents and students;
- Guidance on the process of education loan, so the Beneficiaries do not face any delays. In addition, SD-SEED has discussed with various banks their procedure and documentation. All the information and details of the banks, who have tied up with SD-SEED is available to the Beneficiaries on their log in ids;
- Assistance to Beneficiaries to fill up their scholarship application form;
- Under the Empowerment of Girls program, encourage girls to pursue and complete their education.

Think Tank

A meeting of all the Governing Board Members, Advisory Committee Members and Experts in the field of education was held.

The analysis and statistical data was presented in this meeting. Based on this, a discussion was held on the measures, which will help solve the problems of beneficiaries, parents and teachers. Suggestions on the measures received were prioritized and SD-SEED programs will be planned accordingly.



Beneficiary Volunteer Committee

Some of the beneficiaries have been chosen to be a part of the Beneficiaries Volunteer Committee at the Taluka level. The eligibility criteria was residence in the Taluka, good communication skills, leadership qualities, complete information of the Taluka, etc. The Vision and Mission of SD-SEED was explained to the volunteers, alongwith their roles and responsibilities. The volunteers will work at the taluka level together with our Taluka Co-ordinators in conducting various programmes, which will benefit maximum number of students. The volunteers will gain valuable exposure on planning programs while working on various issues.



STUDENT ASSESSMENT PROGRAM - SCHOOL REPORT

In December 2011, SD-SEED organized a Student Assessment Program (SAP) in various schools in Jalgaon for Class 8 students, in a very systematic manner. 168 students participated in the program. On completion of the program, Associates of SD-SEED presented the Report to the School.

The School Report is a collective analysis of all the students who participated. The report analyses various aspects of the student, like aptitude, social behavior, general knowledge, physical & mental health and mental capability, etc. It shows the areas of strength of the student along with the areas which require attention and need to be developed. The Associates also counseled the School Authorities, on the various steps and measures that can be taken to enhance the development of the student, for e.g. inculcate the habit of reading, involve them in various programs, increase their participation in sports, elocution, debates, etc. They also guided the School Authorities on how to prioritize the programs. The School Principal, Teachers of Class 8 and Subject Teachers were present at this meeting.

A discussion was held on how the subject teachers should help the students to use their talents and work for the all round development of the students. Together with studies, students should be made aware of family and social bonding, spirit of co-operation, reading, sports, etc.



FEEDBACK FROM TEACHERS



Mrs Pratibha Tulshidas Suryavanshi, Principal - Manav Seva Mandal, Jalgaon Sanchalit Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Jalgaon

"The Associates of SD-SEED have given us very good guidance on our School report. There was also a discussion on the self development of the students and the various programmes to be conducted. The most important thing is that the students of today are not developing reading habits and we need to inculcate this habit and a spirit of co-operation among the students. Many students have doubts on what to study after Class 10 and often there is a possibility of making the wrong decision, but SD-SEED has given the students valuable guidance on how to choose their careers."



Mrs Saroj Dilip Tiwari, Principal - Abhinav Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Jalgaon

"First, thank you to SD-SEED! It is very praise-worthy that SD-SEED has conducted the Student Assessment Program. This program has thrown light on various aspects of student development. The students have been made aware of their weaknesses and given tips on how to improve themselves. This will help in the overall development of the student and the school. The Associates of SD SEED have given timely information which has been very beneficial. All the best to SD-SEED for its future programs."

'ROAD SAFETY POCKET GUIDE' distributed to SD-SEED Beneficiaries



In today's fast moving life and education system, it is most important that students keep important information in mind while driving their vehicles to college and classes. Many a time, a small distraction can result in a serious accident and even death. SD-SEED put together all the points to be remembered while driving a vehicle and prepared the 'Road Safety Pocket Guide.'

The guide covers important information on safety like, the points to be remembered before and while driving the vehicle, how to take care of your vehicle, keep safe distance from other vehicles while driving, precautions to be taken while overtaking, not to use the mobile phone while driving, information on highways, etc. The guide has benefitted 2500 beneficiaries.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR AFFILIATES

We are very pleased that in the last one year, SD-SEED has tied up with the following 33 Coaching Classes and 23 book depots. Keeping in mind their social responsibility, achieving the educational target of our Beneficiaries and overall educational development of the District, they are affiliated with us. Their decision is very commendable and appreciative.

Coaching Classes have offered attractive discounts ranging from 20 to 50% in their fees and some have even offered free classes. Book depots have also offered very good discounts; therefore maximum beneficiaries should take benefit of the same. Once again SD-SEED would like to extend a thank you to all.

Parties interested in affiliating with us may send an e-mail to gb@sdseed.in or visit our Office.

Coaching Classes

Jalgaon

1. Mahaveer Classes
2. Waves Career Forum
3. Aim Computers
4. Asha Foundation INDEEA
5. Bhavana Classes
6. Darji Foundation
7. Dnyansadhana Classes
8. Phenix Academy
9. Excellent English Speaking Classes
10. Gurukrupa Classes
11. Nikam Microsoft Academy
12. Silicon Valley Certifications Pvt. Ltd.
13. Londhe's Foundation
14. Potential Academy
15. Net Weave Computers

16. Sigma-VII Computers
17. Vidyalankar Classes
18. Vidya's Foundation
19. Swami Classes

Bhadgaon

20. India Infotech

Parola

21. Saubhadra Softwares

Erandol

22. Sharada English Classes
23. Ishkrupa Classes

Yawal

24. Vyas Classes

Amalner

25. Shikhar Pratishthan
26. Sunet Computers

Dharangaon

27. Shivam Computers
28. Parimal Classes
29. Eagle Computers

Chalisgaon

30. Unique Computer Education
31. United Institute of Computer Technology
32. Shree Computer Academy

Pachora

33. Hi-Tech Computers

Book Depots

Jalgaon

1. Neve Brothers
2. Anant Stores
3. Prasad Book Depot
4. Quality Book Stores
5. Sagar Book Distributors
6. Satyanarayan Book Distributors
7. Sharma Book Depot
8. Vidyadhan Book House
9. Vrinda Book Depot

Amalner

10. Gandhi Stores
11. Sudeep Books & Gift Stores

Bhadgaon

12. Ganesh Book Depot
13. Shreeram General Stores

Pachora

14. Kotkar General Stores
15. Satyam Book Plaza

Erandol

16. Mahesh Book Depot

Chalisgaon

17. Pragati Corner
18. Raman Book Depot

19. Shirode Book Stores
20. Sudarshan Book Depot

Raver

21. Raj Stationery

Yawal

22. Shreeji Book House

Jamner

23. Swati Traders

EASY TIPS ON ENERGY CONSERVATION

We can easily implement the following Environment Conservation measures in our daily life. Every bit contributed by all of us will help to make an enormous change.

1. Sit together in one room for work, which will help to save electricity.
2. Make use of reverse side of invitation cards, greeting cards & pages of notebooks, which will help to save paper.
3. For air purification, plant Basil (Tulsi) in your house or gift it to someone.
4. While studying, use slate for the rough work, this will prevent huge paper loss; thus help in preventing large scale cutting down of trees.
5. If possible, all the family members should eat food together, this will conserve gas required to warm the food frequently.



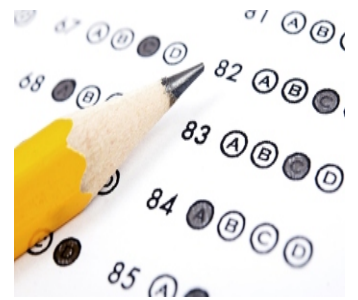
LEARN TO THINK OUT OF THE BOX...

Without lifting the hand, draw four straight lines through the dots.

(Answer is on Page 7)

Preparing for Common Entrance Test (CET) Examination

Engineering, Medical & Pharmacy entrance exams are very important and students and parents are engrossed in preparations. It is a pleasure to motivate the students with important guidelines and our best wishes for this golden moment in their life. These exams are a turning point in a student's life. Lakhs of students will be appearing for these exams. We have experienced that some students fail to get success in the entrance exam in spite of their best efforts. Many brilliant students also face failure. Many students appear for the exam with a stressed mind. Parents' expectations also add to the burden. After a long experience and analysis, we are giving some important instructions for students appearing for CET and other entrance exams. Follow them and success is yours.



● Before CET

1. Follow your study plan strictly. You have already studied every chapter in detail; now have a rapid revision of those chapters.
2. Avoid reading difficult parts which may cause more stress and unnecessary fear to you.
3. Take a rapid revision on questions you solved in practice tests. Ignore 'Distractions'. Concentrate on 'Key'.
4. Attempt carefully all the questions you could not in the practice tests. Pay attention to the 'Luck' questions that you learned through your mistakes in the practice tests.
5. Get enough sleep at night. Keep your mind fresh. Family members should help to keep a healthy environment at home and not pass unnecessary comments that may cause stress to the student.
6. Show a positive attitude and keep "Jo dar gaya, wo mar gaya" approach. Do not fear.
7. Outstation students should reach the venue one day prior. Those who do not receive their admit cards or have a mistake in the card, should immediately report it to their respective schools.

● Appearing for Exam

1. Reach exam center at least 15 minutes early. Consider traffic jam, unavailability of public transportation etc.
2. Use a cap or handkerchief to protect yourself from the sun.
3. Don't forget to take all required things for exam along with you. Don't keep a mobile phone with you.
4. Eat light food before going for exam like milk, rice, fruit etc. Keep lemon juice and glucose powder with you.

● In the Exam Hall

1. If you face any difficulty in seating arrangement, then request exam supervisor before the exam starts. You will definitely get help.
2. Listen to the instructions of the supervisor carefully and follow them strictly.
3. Fill in information asked on first page of the answer sheet carefully. Don't be in hurry and avoid making blots etc. You won't get a whitener in the exam hall.
4. Keep your mind calm and get aligned with the exam environment.
5. Don't lose your concentration in the exam. If you find any question too difficult, don't be discouraged; move on to other questions which are easy.
6. Don't be in hurry, but also ensure you don't run out of time. If sum solving takes much time, get approximate answers and mark them.



7. Fill answer fields (circles) in the answer sheet properly. Check if you are filling answers for relevant questions only, or else you will be in problem.
8. If you are not able to solve any questions, use reverse answering method. Eliminate three wrong answers; remaining one is the right answer.
9. Though you may find a question easy, analyze the question carefully and then only mark the answer.
10. Give answers carefully, don't get carried away with easy questions.

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Preparing for CET Exams (Cont'd)

11. There is no negative marking system in CET. Thus, no marks are reduced for wrong answers. That's why you should attempt all questions. If time is running out, you may mark random answers at that time.
12. Don't mark multiple answers. These answers are considered to be wrong.
13. Mark the circles properly in the answer sheet. Avoid marking out of circle, incomplete marking. Be perfect.
14. Always remember one important thing, CET answer sheets are checked using computer systems. Thus, any ink spot or blot will read on the computer as multiple answers and one mark will be deducted.
15. Keep a handkerchief beneath your hand while writing so that your sweat will not affect the marked ink on the answer sheet.
16. Before starting your exam, keep yourself calm. Remember your parents and your teachers. You can pray. Do not have any fear in your mind. Don't be tense, it's your turn to win, you will definitely succeed. You have everyone's wishes with you.

All the Best!

- Prof. S.V. Somvanshi

Aarogyam (Health Tips)

The following health tips are simple, useful and can be implemented in our daily life.



Drink Water

Drinking enough water can help boost your concentration as well as keep you from overeating. Make sure you carry water with you wherever you go.

Water...

- (1) Regulates our body temperature.
- (2) Makes up 83% of our blood.
- (3) Cushions joints in the body.
- (4) Helps convert food into energy.
- (5) Helps carry Nutrients and Oxygen to body cells.

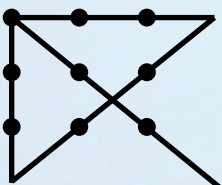
Eat Breakfast

It's good to start your day with a balanced and healthy breakfast. Make sure your breakfast is not too oily. Include nutritious food like milk, fruits etc. which keep your mind fresh throughout the day. Eating jaggery and peanuts with milk provides vitamins to our body. Similarly, having cow's ghee with hot milk shall prove to be a energizing breakfast. A good breakfast followed by a light lunch and an even lighter dinner will avoid weight gain.



(From Page 5... Answer)

Learn to think out of the box.



Many of us could not solve the puzzle, because we all are filled with pre-assumptions. We always think within a frame (box). We try to find solutions within the frame line. But if we try to think out of the box, we may find solutions easily. Those who are successful in their field have always thought out of the box.

In the above diagram, we thought out of the box twice and only then we were successful. Only going beyond pre-assumptions can show us real image of ourselves and the world. So dear friends, Think out of the box! Think Big! Have a larger aim.

OUR MISSION

- To provide opportunities to all deserving students to participate in India of the 21st century
- To spread educational awareness among all stakeholders
- To financially support eligible students for accomplishing their educational goals and occupational aspirations
- To develop and implement a comprehensive package of initiatives resulting in empowerment of stakeholders
- To make the program self sustainable so that more and more students can benefit

COMPLIMENTS FROM BENEFICIARIES



Chhaya Vishwas Borse, Jalgaon - Empowerment of Girls workshop organized by SD-SEED, helped me to learn a lot. I got very important guidance on how to nurture relationships in family and with siblings, to what extent one should have relations in friends circle, disadvantages of TV, etc. This information will help me throughout my life. Thanks to SD-SEED for this.



Achal Jain, Chopda - Recently I have received the 'Road Safety Pocket Guide' published by SD-SEED. It was very useful to understand the safety measures to follow while driving. We must take care of ourselves and others.



Komal Suresh Keswani, Jalgaon - In Empowerment of Girls, a program organized by SD-SEED, we got an opportunity to come closer to our family. We were also guided about friendships and their limitations. SD-SEED helped us to know and evaluate ourselves. I thank SD-SEED on behalf of every girl.



Harsha Suryawanshi, Chalisgaon - SD-SEED conducted several educational programs for us at Chalisgaon. SD-SEED organized a career guidance seminar in our taluka. In this seminar, we got information on different entrance exams conducted across India and its admission processes.

Note: The above testimonials are translated from Marathi.

Appeal for Contribution: We would like to request you to submit your contributions, such as inspirational / motivational articles, information on education, health tips, etc to be published in this Newsletter. You may e-mail to: gb@sdseed.in or send to the below mentioned address.



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