



Be the change. Bring Change. With this motto, Youth Power\* now stands in its ninth year. This edition, put together by the 10 teams is a peek into the causes they've worked for through the year.

#### **INSIDE**

visit from my 13 year old cousin, Sneh, studying in AIS Noida. The AIS Noida, P2 reason of her visit was one that struck an AIS MV, P3 emotional chord in me and made me go AIS Vas 1, P4 back several years in my years as an Amitian. The Youth Power form for 2016-17 AIS Vas 6, P5 was out and she wanted to participate in it, AIS PV, P6 because she knew I had and she knew how AIS Gur 43, P7 closely I held YP to me. It was the first time I had come across a thirteen year old talk-**AIS 46, P8** ing about issues of waste, health, illiteracy AIS VKC Lko, P9 and so on. The first time I had heard the AIS Jagdishpur, P10 perspective of a young, tender mind which wasn't about Justin Bieber or Vampire Di-AIS Saket, P11 aries. The first time I realised that there exist many such motivated, young children who are determined to bring a change in AMIT**AIDO**II

> Youth Power can create. It took me back to my days as a Youth Power participant, to all the hard work we

> the society they live in. And it is then that I

realised the true impact that a platform like

Kashish Minocha, AIS Saket, Alumnus

few months back, I got a surprise

File pic of Kashish (Extreme left) and her team at YP 2011-12 finale

It took me back to my days as a Youth Power participant, to all the hard work we had put in, to all the difficulties we had endured, to the never ending brains storming sessions and all the sleepless nights that stretched over months.

had put in, to all the difficulties we had endured, to the never ending brain storming sessions and all sleepless nights that stretched over months. It brought back countless sweet memories that I would love to go back to. While discussing YP with my sister, I went into a mode as if I was going to participate again in Youth Power. That was probably one of the most enriching conversations I have had with any of my cousins. And I realised this is what Youth Power stands for. It has the

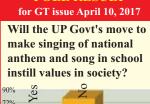
power to awaken you, enlighten you and activate you. Youth Power has been one of my most favourite experiences in school and I realised the magnanimity of that platform like never before.

Back then, Youth Power changed my outlook towards many things. It taught me the hardest lessons and it was a learning experience like no other. There are many other platforms for youth activists but I haven't seen any other platform mobilise ideas the way Youth Power does. It made me work

with a group of people I barely knew or was friends with. It made me go way out of my comfort zone by making me interact with a strata of society that we often ignore. It stretched my analytical and creative abilities. I always take inspiration from my ideation and style of working that I adapted during Youth Power to tackle problems even today, after five years have elapsed. It made me believe that no dream is unachievable. It taught me the importance of perseverance and having faith in oneself and I came out as a much more confident, patient and sensitised student. It was my first close experience with social work and I enjoyed it so thoroughly that I just never stopped working towards social issues. The concept of Youth Power collided with my idea of social contribution. It was unique, it was fresh, it gave me positivity to work for my dreams and most importantly, it was empowering! GT

Kashish Minocha, was the first runner up of Youth Power 2011-12 and worked for the cause- Education for women.

#### Will the UGC's move to cut down research seats in India affect research studies? b)No c)Can't say To vote, log on to www.theglobaltimes.in





**Coming Next** Winners of YP 2016-17

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True Power, Youth Power

Years later, as she saw new students take up the mantle of change, she realised she too

had changed forever, by signing up for what she thought was a mere programme

## The five values of Youth Power



outh Power is more than a journey. It is a life changing experience, where you not just win some awards, it is a competition where you make a difference and truly inculcate the values of what truly YP is; change maker.

#### Learning Respect...

Respect is one value every Youth Power participant learns during the journey of this unique competition. Respect not just for their teammates, but also for their teachers, classmates and volunteers and family, who support them throughout their endeavour. Respect is the personal value that you attach to someone when they help you in your activity or the physically challenged you encounter who is a confident fighter. And in the process, you earn some, perhaps from your peers and friends, who see you working towards a noble cause.

#### **Accepting Responsibility...**

Youth Power teaches all its participants the power of responsibility. You learn to be responsible towards the society you live in, the team you work with, the school that has its hopes pinned on you to be a responsible cit-

izen and more importantly responsible to passion; not just for benefit of society but yourself. You step out working on the cause also for oneself. Move, and you will be able of air pollution, and you realise that you are to move mountains. Youth Power moves you. responsible for the deadly air we breathe in. You rise up and take up responsibility when things do not work out the way you wanted to. You realise that taking responsibility is the first step, the first step that we all need to take to be the change we want to see.

#### Focusing on Leadership...

Leaders are not born. They are made with hard work, dedication, sheer will and perseverance. Youth Power puts all these ingredients together and churns out a leader. It creates socially responsible leaders, who do more than giving speeches. When young YP participants go out in the field, clean a slum, feed the poor, treat stray animals; they set an example, an example only leaders can set and others emulate. It's been said, if you have to lead, you should lead by example. And that is exactly what Youth Power does, it teaches you to be the example yourself.

#### Feeling Compassion..

One thing that the human race is endowed with is the gift of compassion. Compassion for the poor and sick, compassion for helpless animals and birds, compassion for those who struggle with odds everyday. Compassion is what makes us help us one another and grow as a society. Compassion is one of the basic tenets of our culture. Lord Buddha, Mahavir and Guru Nanak all espoused comtowards the unprivileged and the speechless, and moves you to take up the difficult path and usher change, we've all been waiting for.

#### **Absorbing Gratitude...**

Absorbed in the luxuries of life, which we deem as necessities, we forget that there are many others, who aren't born as fortunate. When we complain our food not being hot enough, we forget that there are million others, who do not get that food, neither hot, nor cold. Youth Power takes the students towards these unprivileged areas, where one realises the numerous gifts that all of us have been lucky enough to be born with, ushering in gratitude. In life one should always have gratitude, gratitude for a healthy life, friends and school. Be thankful, count your blessings, notice simple happiness in life and acknowledging everything that you receive from your family and friends. GIT

\*Youh Power is the brainchild of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF. The social leadership programme, organised under the aegis of The Global Times, now in its ninth year, aims to nurture ethical and social leadership skills. The programme witnesses ten teams from different branches of Amity working on a social cause through the year, conduct sensitising activities et al.



YOUTH POWER

THE PROBLEM

THE SOLUTION

Odd/ Even formula

Industries

to be fined

FINDINGS

Vehicular

Crackers during Diwali

Traffic police

to fine

violators

and other festivities

The song left you in awe; the air is leaving you lifeless. Not very far is the day when the air that swept us off will sweep lives away

i.e half of India's population lives in conditions where the pm levels are far above India's safety limits

of the world's population is going to live three years less because of the rising air pollution.

above the safety limits goes the level of particulate matter in air post Diwali in areas of Delhi/NCR.

more toxic is the air that the school children are breathing.

## 660 million The clock is ticking

**∀** itizens coughing all over; children with face masks; air purifiers selling like hot cakes. Welcome to Delhi 2016. Dr K K Singhal, Gen physician/pediatrician at the Fortis hospital tells us how air pollution has become a time bomb

#### What are the indicators of bad air?

The very first indicator for any chronic serious disease is breathlessness and developing cough in the body. The redness of eyes and itching skin also shows that the person has been living in bad air since a long time.

#### What has been the impact of air pollution on pregnant women?

Mothers exposed to high levels of CO during pregnancy are at higher risk of adverse birth outcomes, including pre-term delivery, low birth weight, and congenital heart defects. When carbon monoxide crosses the placenta in the fetus, it



leads to inadequate circulation of oxygen for the baby, which in turn results in a condition called 'fetal growth retardation'.

#### Does air pollution impact children and adults differently?

Children up to the age of six have lungs, immune system and brain that are still developing which is not so in the case of adults. This process of early development is important for the health of the child; the exposure to air pollution at this time can have lasting effects on future health. GIT

Tripathi, AIS Vas 1, VII A

Students have a valid excuse for not scoring

high marks. A study suggests that polluted air is

the reason behind attention disorders found in

children. Mother's exposure to polycyclic aro-

high risk of attention disorders. GIT

brunt of the carbon dioxide released

from the breath of nearly six million people. The increased level of CO2 is making

these iconic paintings

lose their colour and go

My bad marks? blame

...says Nobita.

the air!

## Tippy tippy tap, what colour you want?

Emission from

industries

Banning ve-

hicles older

than 15 years

Increasing

parking charges

Different colours denote different levels of air pollution. Read on for we definitely don't want the

Sample size: 500 Methodology: Oral Interviw

Sample group: General public



## An air of myste

Just like the components of air that are mostly felt but seen, there are some

facts about air pollution hidden in mystery

#### I fear the gym now! ...says Johnny Bravo

It's true that sweating out in the gym can make you happy, but breathing there can make you sick! According to a research done by a Por-

Illustration: Shreya, AIS Vas 1

tuguese research team, the air at the gym is high on airborne dust and carbon dioxide. It also contains high levels of formaldehyde responsible for irritation in the eyes, skin and the respiratory tract and can also cause headaches, coughing etc.

#### How long can I paint? ...thinks Michaelangelo

The frescos of the coveted Sistine Chapel in the Vatican City are bearing the

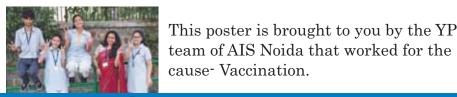
#### Illustration: Kriti, AIS Vas 1

## matic hydrocarbons puts unborn children at a

There is something wrong with each picture that contributes to air pollution. Find out what







cause- Vaccination.





rates since 1990 due to immunisation. immunisation is prevalent in the states

of Sikkim and Manipur. has been the reduction in tetanus  $\equiv$ cases, over the past three decades, with atleast 18 states having not

reported a single case as of December 2013.

million children under five are still dying each year in India due to non-immunisation.

> of global deaths among children under five happen in

> > is the only amount of adult opting for adult vaccination.

> > > Source: Internet

#### **Chart your** vaccines

Let's start securing your child's safety with the right vaccination at the right time.

At birth: BCG, Hep B-1, OPV 0

6 weeks: DTP 1, IPV 1, Hep B2, HIB 1, Ro-

tavirus 1, PCV 1

10 weeks: HIB 2, IPV 2, DTP 2, Ro-

tavirus 2, PCV 2

<mark>14 weeks:</mark> HIB 3, IPV 3, DTP 3, Rotavirus 3, PCV 3

6 months: Hep B 3, OPV 1

9 months: OPV 2, MMR 1

9-12 months: Typhoid Conjugate

12 months: Hep A 1

15 months: MMR 2, Varicella 1, PCV Booster

16-18 months: DTP booster 1, IPV Booster 1, Hib Booster 1

18 months: Hep-A 2

2 years: Typhoid booster

Typhoid booster

...is the fact that even though we are living longer with vaccination and technology, millions are still dying. Reason- Lack of immunisation

## Shots of life!

r B C Das, the father of HPV vaccine shares the importance of vaccination shots in medicine

#### Need

Minor ailments like measles, whooping cough and complicated problems like amputations, paralysis, convulsions and even death can be prevented if one gets vaccinated at the right time. Since the poor and the weak are most vulnerable, vaccination can help them survive to a great extent and live safely.

#### **Challenges**

Since long, vaccination is being viewed with a skeptical eye. Even after the eradication of polio and smallpox through successful immunization, it is constantly been questioned. Take the case of HPV vaccine in India, it was met with strong opposition despite the fact that



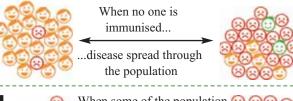
India ranks high in cervical cases. People also believe that vaccination is an expensive process, which is not the case.

#### The road ahead

For a country like India, it is absolutely essential that we create pro-vaccine awareness. The government must amend its vaccination policy and encourage immunisation as a mandate. Free camps should be organised. If costs of vaccines are subsidised, we'll witness a huge upsurge in families accepting vaccination.

## Together and str

Immunisation begins with one person. And then slowly, everyone gets vaccinated; herd immunity can saves many lives and society



When some of the population 🔞 is immunised.... disease spread through the some of the population Not immunised but healthy

population in immunised.... ...Spread of disease is constrained

When most of

(X) Not immunised and unhealthy

Illustrations: Preeti Panigrahi, AIS Noida



Find the mysterious ghost

village. But, the villagers were

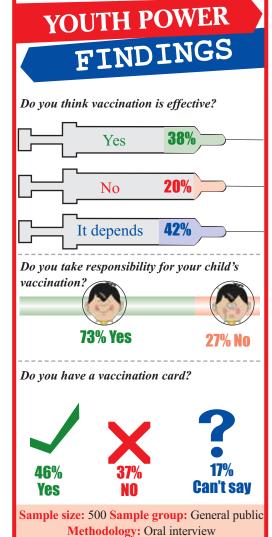
scared of such big needles and refused to get the children vaccinated.

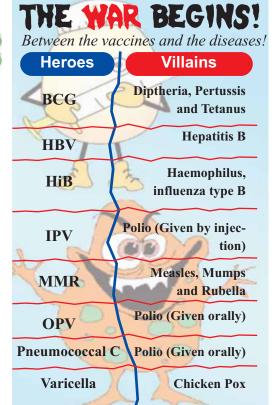


Few months later, there were sightfever. The next day, a mysterious band-aid would appear on hand.

But the fever vanished the next morning, and the kids grew even

come out stronger than betore as they won't be vulnerable to preventable diseases! Answer: The ghost was none other than Dr Vaccination. He knew that once the children get vaccinated, they'll fall sick at once but will







<mark>4-6 years:</mark> DTP booster 2, OPV 3, Varicella 2,

Seeing him as a threat to the children, the villagers forced the doctor out of the village. The innocent and generous doctor was misunderstood by the gullible villagers.

😈 Immunised & healthy

ings of a ghost, visible to kids. Any kid who encountered the ghost, would get stronger than before. Villagers

were seriously confused. Who was this mysterious friendly ghost?

10-12 years: Tdap, HPV (Only for girls)

**Diabetes** 

This poster is brought to you by the YP team of AIS Mayur Vihar that worked for the cause Diabetes.



**YOUTH POWER** 

8 out of 10 respondents admit to eating junk food

5 out of 10 respondents are regular with physical exercise

9 out of 10 respondents are not

aware of the sugar content in the

food they consume

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3 out of 10 respondent have a diabetic in the family

8 out of 10 respondents prefer

sugar free drinks

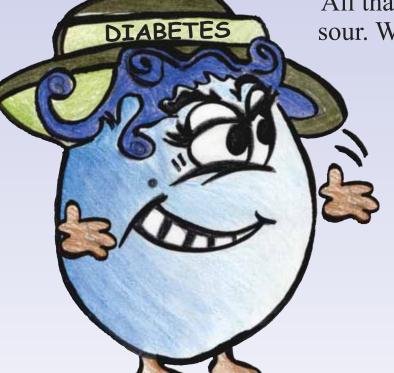
Sample size: 500 Methodology: Question-

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FINDINGS

# The bitter-sweet truth

All that glitters is not gold, all that taste sweet can sometimes turn sour. Why make diabetes our date, prevent it before it gets too late



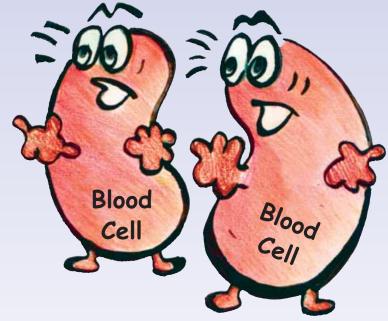
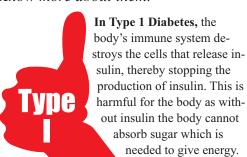


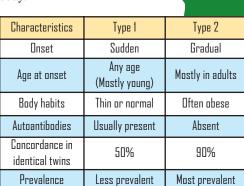
Illustration: Riddhi Gupta, AIS MV, XII G

## **Duet with** diabetes

Just like the two sides of the coin, diabetes too come with its twins. Know more about them.



In Type 2 Diabetes the body becomes resistant to insulin as it is not able to use insulin in the right manner. As the condition grows worse, the pancreas produces less and less insulin which results in insulin deficiency in the



# Move

Diabetes is not *just the disease* of the pancreas but it can affect other parts of the body too.

Source: Internet



## Sugar is sweet...

ut its effects are not. Dr Rajat Kant Jain, Sr Consultant, Deepak Memorial Hospital and Dr Shalini Jain, General Physician, Lady Harding Medical College debunk some myths and provide some facts on sugar's foe diabetes.

#### Diabetes education is just for the diabetic.

Doctor says: "Diabetes education helps in developing the skills one need to manage diabetes. It should be extended to the family and friends as it gets easier for them to understand your condition.

One cannot live a healthy life after being diagnosed with diabetes

**Doctor says:** Whether you have been diagnosed with type 1 or type 2 diabetes, you can live a long and healthy life by eating healthy, being physically active and taking medications to keep your blood glucose in your target range.

The target blood glucose remains same for all diabetes patients

**Doctor says:** Target levels vary from person to person and their situation. Blood sugar levels should be kept in target as it lowers the risk of further developing complications of diabetes.

Aggressive exercise becomes mandatory

**Doctor says:** Although exercise is mandatory, one can start with as little as five to ten minutes per day and gradually build up the duration.

One can eat anything in diabetes.

**Doctor says:** Though a diabetic can eat every Illustration: Riddhi Gupta, AIS MV, XII G

food item, we recommend a complete vegetarian diet, devoid of even dairy products. It is healthier

because they are less on cholesterol and fat.

#### Diabetes is reversible

**Doctor says:** One will have diabetes for the rest of their lives. Though it cannot be reversed, it can definitely be managed to prevent or delay complications. Doing this will keep your blood glucose, blood pressure and cholesterol within optimal range.GII

## Coco Monkey asks..

...why wait until you get diabetes? The Disney mascot Coco Monkey gives you some tips to prevent diabetes in future

#### Lose that fat.

Exercising can cut the risk of having diabetes by 50 percent. So, run, dance, skip or fight!

Know your numbers. BMI, blood pressure, cholesterol, kidney function etc readings should be within safety limits.

#### Check your blood sugar.

The optimal amount of blood sugar varies from person to person; hence one should keep a track of the blood sugar levels.

#### Look down.

Regularly check the sole of your feet for any cuts Prediabetes is a condi-

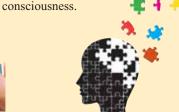
or bruises as diation when body's blood sugar is betes can reduce more than the normal limits but nerve function. less than what can be prescribed as diabetic. Taking accurate measures

#### Watch & eat. Because

you out of this category. anything that has high sugar levels can disrupt your sugar levels. Also, planning what you eat becomes a must to maintain a

balanced intake of the carbs.

#### Going down the memory lane... ...can be an issue as diabetes can lead to a loss



Be a smart buyer and don't get fooled by these glitzy names of sugar on food packets. Coz you gotta be smart, when diabetes is your opponent!



Beet sugar

Date sugar

betes can cause eye problems, even blindness.

eep an eye on...

your eyesight as dia-

The heart knows what is right...

...unless diabetes put your heart at risk because of high blood pressure.

Develop a thick skin... ...for diabetes can cause your skin to become dry and cracked, especially on the feet due to lack of moisture.

The two left feet... ...can be in danger as diabetes can often



turn small cuts and bruises into major infections and ulcers.

towards its prevention can bring

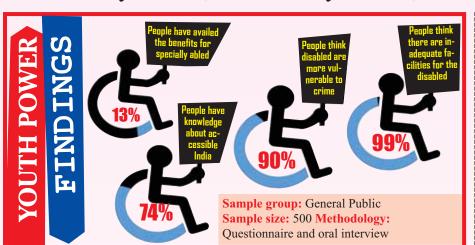
#### A breath of fresh air...

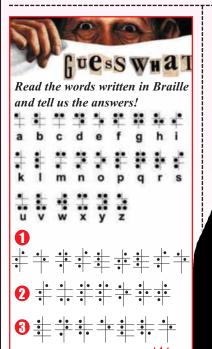
cation of diabetes.

...can smell sweet due to high levels of ketones, which can drop the PH level of your blood. This is a serious compli-



But he knew no one can swim the sea as fast as he did. 'Disabled', he might be called by others; 'differently abled', that's what he chose to call himself





. Love- All of us need love, they too. equal opportunities. 4. Equal - Disabled or not, they deserve all the activities. 3. Involve- Involve the differently abled in friends in all walks of life. 2. Support- Support your differently abled discriminate against them. 1. Sensitise- Sensitise people not to



The reservation in government jobs for physically disabled has risen from 3% to 4%.

Any recruiter found guilty in discriminating against disabled at the workplace, will be imprisoned up to two years, along with a fine ranging between Rs 10,000 and Rs 5 lakh.

Person with a disability certificate can avail train and bus concessions and accompany an attendant with 50% off on ticket price.

Indian citizens above <mark>18</mark> years of age, suffering with more than 80% disability, living below the poverty line are entitled to the 'Disability Pension under the Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme.

## From the other side



wo people, two shoes. Akash Bhardwaj, Founder of Khaas, an NGO for the visually impaired and acid attack victims shares his thoughts about the disabled. Tapas Bhardwaj, a visually impaired law student and a topper presents us with problems on ground zero.

aisa hai bechara vaisa hai!" Is what I hear quite often. We need to understand that everybody's needs are different and each of them needs to be treated separately. Some get tired, some can't run and some can't remember. However, to ensure an inclusive society it is imperative that an empathetic not sympathetic environment is created. Laws should be made hand in hand with the problems that particular disabled individual faces. India is a country of potential youths. But we also need to take proper care of disabled youth, then only our country will progress equally."

The Problem: "Bechara The solution: "I came across an acid attack victim selling balloons. The attack left her partially blind with scars on her face. She had to leave her work due to her appearance. Even her husband left her stranded with a child. Her education did not do any good to her due to her disability and she had to resort to these petty jobs."

> This particular incident was what lead to the foundation of Khaas, which aims to improve the life of such people by providing them with employment and secure future. If every company employs a differently abled employee on merit basis, India will become one of the first countries where no such Tapas Bhardwaj victims will be jobless."

data, the total population of India is 1,028,610,328 out of which 2.1% i.e **21,906,769** *are disabled,* which means...

People suffer from speech disability

movement



Source: Internet

Disability What not to say What to say Dumb, Invalid Blind/Visually Impaired Visually Impairment 🖍 Invalid, Deaf-and-Dumb, Deaf-Mute Hard-of-hearing, hearing impaired Speech/Communication Person with a speech / Dumb, "One who talks bad" Disability communication disability Retarded, Slow, Brain Damaged, **Learning Disability** Person with a learning or cognitive disability "Special ed" Handicapped, Physically Chal-Wheelchair user, Person with a mobility or Mobility/Physical lenged, "Special," Deformed, Crip-Disability physical disability

#### **Say wassup**l



























Hello Good-bye

Ok

(I'm) happy

(to) meet

Sorry

Please

Thank you

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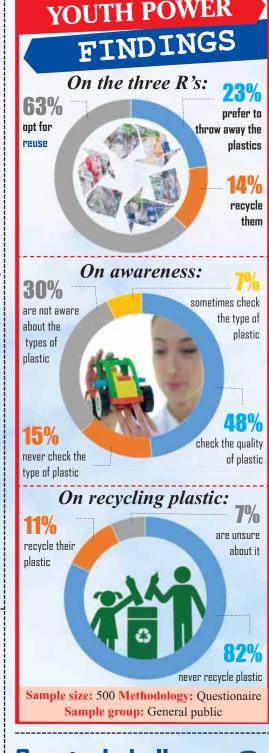
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later!

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## Survival challenge

You are aware about the problem. Now let's take the challenge by substituting plastic with ecofriendly practices for a week and self evaluate the change





Week 3: Clean the bathroom

takeout

containers

glass containers

Bring your own eco-friendly grocery bags.

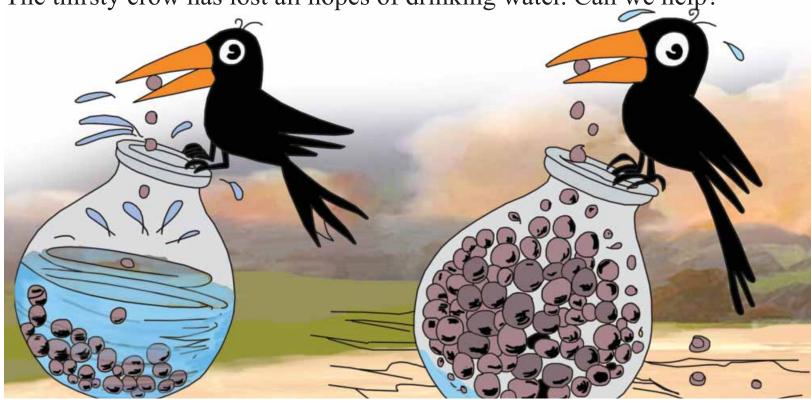


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## Water on the rocks

The rocks filled the pot up to the brim, still the water does not come up. The thirsty crow has lost all hopes of drinking water. Can we help?





2/10 farmers use drip irrigation in Haryana

clean water



4/10 houses have rainwater harvesting systems



9/10 women have to walk more than 5 km to fetch water

8/10 rainwater harvesting plants are not properly cleaned

Sample size: 1000 Sample group: General public Methodology: Questionnaire

## When the tap opens

On one hand, a tap is left open; on the other the future of a few is going down the drain. How much water can ones conscious effort save?



For running the tap while



Enough to clean them 5





Enough to bath for 4 days





Enough to clean 3 rounds of



For brushing teeth a month.



## From the bests

The goal is one, the methods are many. A glance at the best practices of the world to save water.

It treats 80% of its domestic wastewater for agricultural use and constitutes nearly 50% of the total water used for agriculture. To save water being lost from

evaporation in Los Angeles 'shade balls' are being thrown into a reservoir. The black plastic balls are four inches in diam-

eter, and made from polyethylene plastic developed from solid fossil fuels. These balls help maintain water quality by blocking sunlight, thereby saving water from evaporating.

Saltwater is desalinated to produce water suitable for human consumption or irrigation. Today about 50% of drinking water comes from desalination, 40% from the mining of nonrenewable groundwater and only 10% from surface water in the mountainous south west part.

One is supposed to wash themselves with soap outside the bathing tub and then step inside the tub to relax. Cleansing outside the tub then makes the water reusable by all the family members. These tubs are then attached to washing machines, which sucks up the water and reuses it for washing clothes.

rey water, i.e the water from baths, bathroom sinks and washing machines. While greywater may look 'dirty', it is a safe and even beneficial source of irrigation water. Keep in mind that if greywater is released into rivers, lakes, or estuaries, its nutrients become pollutants, but to plants, it means a valuable fertilizer. Grey water directly diminishes the need for fresh water. A system like this can reduce your water usage by about 50%. It also reduces the amount of waste-

water entering sewers or on-site

treatment systems.

## An expert view

anjeev Sharma (SS), Director, Projects & **P**artnerships at FORCE NGO, Forum for Organised Resources Conservation and Enhancement and Parshottam Rupala (PR), the Union minister for Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare on water management.

#### On spreading awareness

SS: The need for spreading awareness is extreme. Force NGO organises works in the same direction by organising various workshops in rural areas to sensitise people and launching projects which incorporate the implementation of modern irrigation techniques." PR: More people should get involved in spreading awareness. The power to change definitely lies in the hands of the informed youth, which in turn assures of a bright future."

#### On the methods of conservation

SS: Rainwater harvesting is a very important method for the conservation and management of rainwater. With its help, major problems of water scarcity and inefficient drainage of water can be solved to a great extent.

PR: Drip irrigation is a very effective irrigation technique for conserving water. It involves delivering water directly to the roots of the crop which prevents any loss of water. This particular practice can save up to 20 to 50 percent water.



#### the YP team

On the role of government **SS:** To tackle water scarcity, the government is planning to introduce water audit (systematic approach of identifying, measuring, monitoring and reducing the water consumption in an industry) and yearly water footprint disclosure to tackle oversconsumption and misuse of water.

PR: In implementing drip irrigation, 50% of the investment is provided by the government. However, many farmers in India hesitate to pay for the remaining 50%. Moreover, they are still blighted by prejudices. GT

## Grab a sip?

Behind the production of everything you eat, liters of water is used. These water footprints are too rigid to be erased.



Family of five (assuming each have 2): 10\*454= 4540 liters



Family of five (assuming each have 1): 5\*2580= 12900 liters



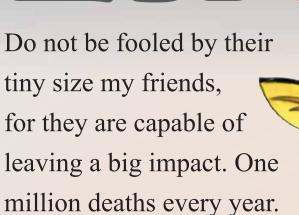
Family of five (assuming each have 1): 5\*200= 1000 liters





Family of five (assuming each have 1):

5\*30= 150 liters



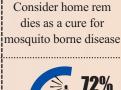


**Economically** weaker section

Most familiar with Malaria.



Consider home remedies as a cure for mosquito borne disease.



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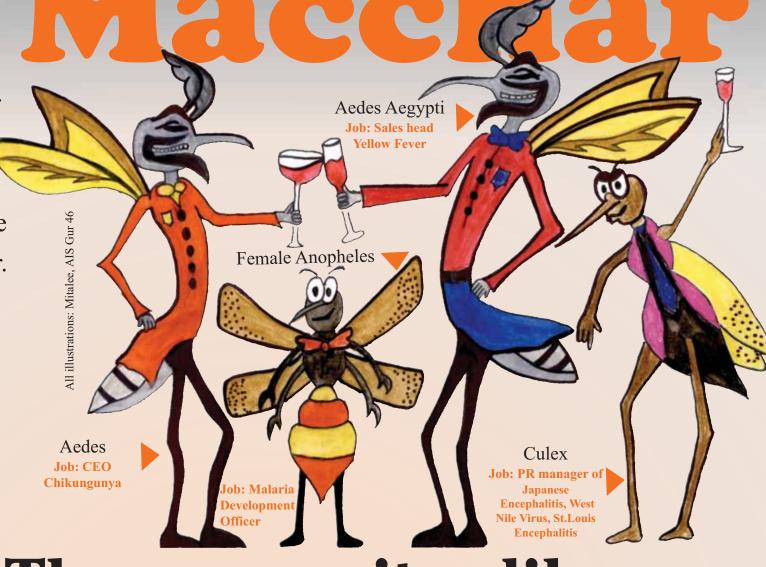


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Water



ample size: 500 Methodology: Questionnaire Sample group: General public



## The mosquito dilemma

**¬**he special commissioner of health and nutrition in the ■ Gurugram division, D Suresh talks about the rampant spread of mosquito borne disease in rural areas

#### The challenges...

They have

taken the lives of

390 million people,

out of which 96 million required medical

treatment

The central issue is the lack of awareness and literacy among the rural population. People need to be informed about keeping their surroundings clean and make certain changes in their lifestyle too. As filthy and unkempt, unsanitary surroundings also lead to the rise in mosquito borne diseases. Such changes can contribute to disease control extensively.

Order

#### To be overcome by public sector...

The public sector currently has to achieve many goals. Disease control is definitely one of them. However, due to lack of resources and non-payment of taxes, the government is lagging behind. Though, government has taken up Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan as a major step to maintain hygiene, reducing the outbreak of mosquito borne diseases, but the outcomes are not very visible. More steps need to be taken in order to overcome the challenge of disease control.

#### With the efforts of the youth!

Knowledge is power. A sensitive and well-informed youth can bring about a lot of positive changes. A committed and hard-working gener-



ation can fight any challenge, be it malaria or even illiteracy. The more you give, the more you gain. School students can definitely take up such initiatives and lead the revolution against mosquito borne diseases. G T

## Mosquito trap

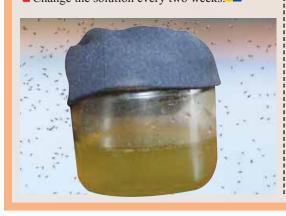
Trap the mosquitoes with a simple mosquito trap recipe.

#### **Ingredients**

water	cup
Brown Sugar	<sup>1</sup> /4 cup
Baking Soda	1 gm
Empty bottle or jar	
Dark coloured cloth	DIY

#### Method

- Boil water and add brown sugar and mix well. Let it cool for 15-20 minutes.
- After the liquid cools down to room temperature, pour it into a jar.
- Now add the baking soda to the mixture. Mixing baking soda will release carbon dioxide, which attracts mosquitoes.
- Wrap the jar lid with a dark cloth.
- Place the jar in spots like near the window and garden from where the mosquitoes enter. They will die once they come near it.
- Change the solution every two weeks. G ■



## Every 30 seconds, a child dies because of

Are you a mosquito magnet?

Here's why the pesky insects seem to like you a bit more than others

It the clothes dummy! Mosquitos are highly visual. Wearing dark colors (navy, black) and red make you easier to spot.

#### Which group?

Is your blood group O. Bad luck mate. Apart from Type O, mosquitos are most likely to come for Type A followed by Type B.

#### CO2 dilemma

Mosquitoes can sense carbon diox-

ide up to 160 feet away; so the more one exhales, the more attractive they become.

Malaria is known to kill 6,00,000

year. Today, the accused stands in

the court to fight the accusations!

million people worldwide every

#### Sweaty pants?

The little bugs to like since lactic acid, uric acid, ammonia and other compounds

are emitted in sweat.

#### **Smelling sweet?**

Mosquitoes too love perfume! Especially the one's which are floral in smell. GT

#### CV: KNOW ME



Mosquito

Address: Water coolers,

uncovered sewages and

tanks, stagnant water,

shrubs and forests.

roxx@gmail.com

Achievements

lion years ago.

old.

Email: rainyseason-

Age: 210 million years

Been handling the blood

sucking business of my

ancestors since 226 mil-

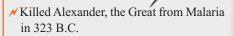
reptiles, birds and mammals. Out of my 3000 relatives, only couple of hundreds are medically important. Also of the species that do bite humans, it is only the female that drink blood — the protein aids in egg production.

ooking for a job to feed on plant nectar.

#### **Identifying features/ Characteristics**

- ✓ My body is divided into head, thorax and abdomen.
- Females have mouth for piercing and sucking blood.
- ✓ Males have mouths modified to suck nectar and plant secretions.

#### Experience



- ✓ Responsible for about 1.07 million total cases in 2014 with 535 deaths. Declared as a living hazard by various
- municipalities and GOI. ✓ Holds a position in the top 20 leading
- causes of death in the world. Reached a turnover of killing 20,000 peo-
- ple in a year. Carry malaria, which kills more than 1
- million people every year.

Mowgli would have

animals, for they

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FINDINGS

Animal have rights

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says 100%

people.

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forests says 48% people.

be banned says



## Is it worth it?

There's no happily ever after for them, neither in the wild nor in the city.



#### for fun

In the wild: 350, 000 baby seals were killed during the annual Canadian seal hunt (2006)

In the city: 7,600 greyhound puppies and 11,400 old greyhound dogs were killed for not being fast enough (2000)



#### fashion

In the wild: In the year 2001, 42% seals were skinned while they were alive.

In the city: 2 million dogs and cats are killed for their fur to produce fake fur coats.



In the wild: 3,000 gorillas, 4,000 chimpanzees and hundreds of bonobos are killed every year. In the city: 56 billion farmed animals are killed for food



In the wild: 1 billion bees have traditionally been exterminated every year by honey industry.

In the city: As per researchers in India, death of nearly 170 bees is recorded on an average a day at a single beverage shop. Source: Internet

24×7 Cow Ambulance with doctor on

Mr. Ravi Dubey (Sector 55, Farid-

board): 7503777888

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## For haven's sake

**√**yro farm is a safe haven for pets and farm animals; a place where kids can learn how a farm functions in a fun manner. The owner of the farm Cyrus, tells us more about it

"Animals need a nurturing environment that makes them feel at home. We cannot keep them in flats, we need gardens and open spaces to cater their needs. The farm is selfsufficient in every way to make animals feel at ease inside it. There is enough grass to feed the cows and often the milk we get from them is given to dogs and other animals. People also volunteer and donate animal food. An eyeopening factor

How'd it feel, if someone shaved

Australia is known to be the largest

producer of wool. 'Mulesing',

the process is opted where the lambs between two to

eight weeks old are

Can you imagine more horror?

How'd you feel, if you were an

object of experimentation?

Every year around 50,000

animals are supplied to more

than 175 labs in India. They

whole of you?

Role switch

castrated without painkillers. Every year 3 million

sheeps are killed by cutting the animal's skin for wool

without using painkillers. As soon as they are born,

their ears are hole-punched and tails are chopped off.



is that due to lack of space a number of stray dogs and cows are abandoned. There is a need to take care of these animals."

"If you spot any injured animal, move the animal to the side of the road. Mostly, what people do is leave the injured animal on the road

untill another vehicle drives over them. even if the animal may be dangerous, but when it is hurt, you need to calm the animal. After calming the animal, stop the bleeding or better seek professional help unless you are good at handling an-

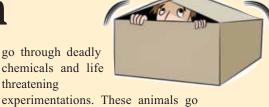
threatening

through severe depression. Approx 115 million animals go through such trauma and life threatening

#### How'd you feel, if you were kept in a box?

us humans, animals like it and deserve it too. The condition that they are kept under in poultries,

very crammed and filthy for survival.



## Who doesn't like to have their own space. Just like

breeding houses and labs is



## ing hormone is released during interactions.

Read on to know how can a pet make your life happy.

#### Friends for life

Pets reduce loneliness by providing companionship as they help increase serotonin levels. This is because oxytocin or bond-

#### Adorable therapists

Psychologists recommend patients to adopt an animal. They are known to help in treating depression.

#### **Stress busters**

Everyday spending 15 – 20 minutes with a pet helps in reducing stress and makes one feel less anxious.

#### Natural elixir

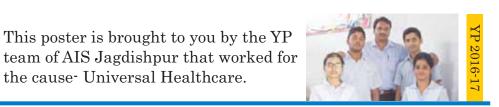
Research shows that pet owners live longer than non-pet owners. G T



Sample size: 500

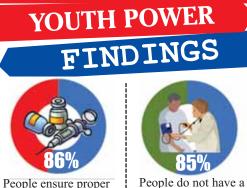
#### Helpline numbers ■ Wildlife Rescue (Chawri Bazaar, Old Delhi)-98100-29698 Friendicoes (Under Defence Colony flyover, South Delhi): 24 hour Ambulance Service: 98733 02580 Sanjay Gandhi Animal Care Centre (Raja Garden, West Delhi): 93122 11134 🛚 Kamdhenu Mangal Parivaar (Free

**Universal Healthcare** 



# Take charge!

... of your mind, body and soul. For, a healthy mind is a pathway for a healthy body and a happy life. Right from the young, to the old; being healthy is an option for all!

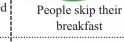


People ensure proper vaccination for their children



regular medical checkup

People are not covered under any health policy





sleeplessness

Sample size: 300 Sample group: General public **Methodology:** Questionnaire



the cause- Universal Healthcare.

## A healthy rapid fire

Dr Devendra Sharma, DM, MD, MBBS, Indo Gulf Hospital, plays a rapid fire on the issues pertaining to health.

Most prominent health issues for the age groups:

**0-3 years:** Malnutrition, diarrhoea, baby colic, neonatal jaundice, hepatitis and pertussis

**4-11years:** Malnutrition, water borne ailments, viral & bacterial diseases.

12-20 years: Malnutrition and obesity, mental health, infectious diseases, injuries, excess of tobacco use

21-35 years: Mental disorder, chronic respiratory diseases, infectious & parasitic diseases, cardiovascular diseases, skin diseases, oral health.



40 years+: Diabetes mellitus, acute respiratory conditions, Psychological disorders, Disease of digestive system, Muscoskeletal diseases.

#### The main reasons for the diseases:

Air/water pollution, adulteration of food, obesity, lack of physical activity, malnutrition

#### Steps to prevent such diseases:

Proper and complete vaccination, early diagnosis, proper diet, ample exercise

#### One advice for healthcare:

The growing age of a child is best stage to develop immunity and prevent any type of future complications, I would advise parents not to ignore any problem in early ages of a child. GT

a healthy brain!

#### **Stop multi-tasking**

Why? It causes brain fatigue and increases the time taken to do a single task five times. Give your attention to just one task and start

#### No Tech!

technology remental work creating an ADHD (Attention deficit/hyperactivity

disorder) like state. Stop using technology from time to time; giving atleast 15 minutes of break between tech usage.

#### Filter information.

Why? Constant information overload leads to bombarding of our brain. Identifying 2 most critical to-dos of your day will

help you focus on them better.

#### **Imagine**

Why? Mechanical routines of our lives lead to a decrease in creativity. Hence, try to perceive ideas in a new way.

## The villages

Two lives

1 glass 30 minutes before a meal~ Helps digestion

1 glass before taking a bath~Helps lower blood pressure

I glass before going to bed~Avoids stroke and heart attack.

70% of the rural population relies on alternative medicines with limited healthcare facilities, as per Forbes.

**1,53,655** sub centers were present, according to Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, in September 2015. The number is much lower than the numbers prescribed by government.

100 million people suffer from diarrhoea and cholera every year.

64% of rural India is facing shortage of doctors.

30% of rural population has to travel more than 30kms for healthcare facilities.

32% people in urban India use public healthcare facilities while the 68% opt for private healthcare facilities.

5% people in urban areas are covered under medical insurance that excludes poor sections.

33.8 % of the urban population suffers from hypertension as compared to 27.6% rural population.

17% of the urban Indians suffer from kidney diseases.

60% of the deaths in urban India occur due to noncommunicable diseases.



Increase your walk, use stairs, walk for 5 minutes after every 2 hours, walk while you talk- easy right?

#### Excuse 2: Sweating? A big no!

Not all exercises guarantee sweat. Try yoga. Exercising under an air conditioned room won't do any harm and if you want something more, try swimming!

#### **Excuse 3:** It's boring!

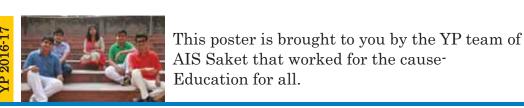
Well, so are you. The world is full of creative things. If working out in the gyms is not your thing then try out dancing, zumba, badminton, run. Whatever suits you. Just move!

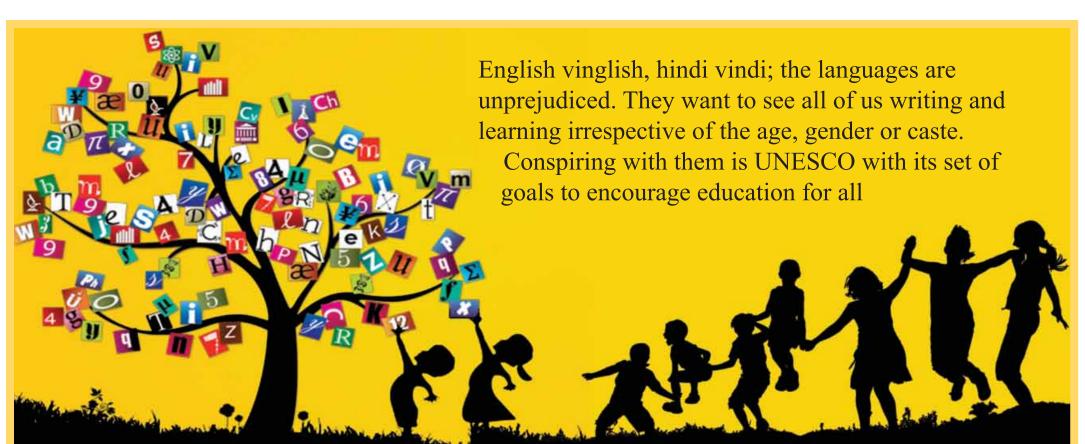
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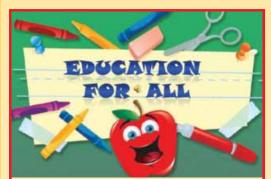
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with 15 minutes interval.

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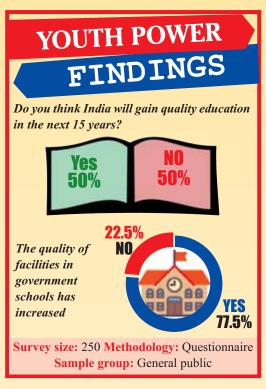






- The model for Education for all was initiated in the year 1990 by UNESCO, UNDP, UNICEF and World Bank to universalise the concept of learning for the world and reduce illiteracy on a mass level by the end of the decade.
- After ten years, the countries analysed their performances with respect to the goals and came up with a set of six foundational goals to work in this direction by 2015.
- Post 2015, to ensure development in overreaching goals, the committee translated derived specific targets to be achieved by the year 2030.





#### Improving early childhood care and education

#### **Alarming numbers**

What happens when despite having a national policy for compulsory primary education, only 50% of children have access to education?

**35,000,000** Children aged 6 to 14 years do not attend school.

of girls in the age group of 5 to 9 years are illiterate.

of the schools, have less than two teachers to teach Classes I to V.

i.e 75.7 million children below six years are covered in Integrated Child Development Scheme. Source: Internet Free and compulsory education to all children



#### **Inclusive.** Is it?

When specially abled children becomes a different category

"How could I tell you the colours of the rainbow or how the butterflies look? If only I could read words through my eyes, education, is the word I'd choose."

'Jyothirgamaya', a part of the scheme 'Braille without borders' extends a hand of support for the visually impaired. A converted rickshaw that carries a computer, printer, Braille slates and white canes to home across the city in the southern Indian state- that is how they empower visually impaired students.

"The call of the bulbul does not enamour me, the roar of the lion do not scare me. The chanting of letters is where my heart goes." Balavidyalaya School in Chennai is working for hearing impaired children under the age of three to prepare them so that they can join mainstream education. Their goal is to help them develop verbal language skills by making the best use of the residual hearing i.e the ability to hear some sounds despite having hearing loss.

#### When you say children, count them too.

#### Where India stands

- According to RTE, all schools, will have to admit 25% students from EWS.
- Only 0.79% disabled children are enrolled in primary schools.

**Ensuring skills programmes** for young and adults

#### You've got the skills?

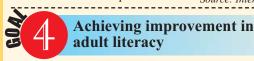
A drowning man will clutch at a straw, that is what skills do for a person.

**Situation 1:** Poverty ruled his life. With no one to call his own, the only thing that helped him to survive the world was an eye for pictures. Slowly and steadily through his skilled pictures, he made a place for himself. At least he could live, happily.

**Situation 2:** She knew the school was out of her reach. Belonging from a family of artisans, she was best in weaving beautiful patterns. Had it not been this skill, she would have led a miserable life.

#### Where India stands

- Only 10% of the total workforce of the country receive some kind of skill training.
- National Skill Development Mission, Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana and Skill Loan Scheme are a few of the policies included in Skill India.



## An aging problem

Passing the 'formal age' of education did not mean a loss, for they started their journey with letter again

#### Age is just a number. You ask why?

Priscilla Sitienei of Kenya, is the oldest pupil in the world. After serving 45 years as a midwife, she at 90 finally gave herself a chance to read and write because she

wanted to read the Bible.

Joseph Conrad, the renowned writer did not have a way with words until he was 20. Ideally, this age marks the end of one's educa-

tion. But it was at 20, Conrad started his education in English. Age is just a number.

#### We know now. Where India stands

- The gap in literacy rates among adults who have crossed the formal age of education, between urban and rural areas is reduced by 5% point.
- Saakshar Bharat, one of the initiatives to promote adult education has raised literacy rate to 80%.

#### Achieving gender equality in education

They were not meant to stay in the kitchen. Since ages, women have been at par with men

Lilavati, the first woman mathematician and daughter of the great Bhaskara

easily solved any complex mathematics problems given to her. This ease with Mathematics made Lilavati, an eminent name in the history of women mathematicians of India.

#### Where India stands

- A National Scheme of Incentives to Girls for Secondary Education was launched in which they're entitled to a sum of 3000/- on reaching 18 years of age and on passing 10th class examination.
- Mahila Samakhya Programme, KGBV, and NPEGEL are some of the programmes encouraging women education.

## Improving the quality of education



**Bharti with a YP member** 

## Quality check

anish Sisodia, Education and LDeputy Minister, Delhi and Somnath Bharti, Member AAP shares the need of the hour in education

#### **Rickety rockety benches**

Lack of proper furniture and other facilities is a common problem in schools. Under a scheme for this problem, new furniture had been installed in more than 28 govt schools. New computer labs promoting digital literacy are being built too.

#### Faculty in a loophole

Upon visiting a computer lab at Sarvodaya Bal Vidyalaya, Ishwar Nagar, we found out that even though there were enough computer labs for students, they have not been used even once. Due to this we had to take strong action against the concerned teachers and suspend them.

Variety

