



Shiksha Sopan

An organization of IIT Community for social upliftment

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Donate for education of a child

Shiksha Sopan has been working for the underprivileged children in and around IIT Kanpur through a number of programs. The organization runs on personal donations from the socially conscious IIT Kanpur community and other citizens. Our programs are:

Pratibha Poshan Yojna (Junior)

A child is selected at the level of Class 6 and all his educational expenses up to Class 12 are met. Shiksha Sopan volunteers work closely with the child and appoints mentors to give them after-school support. The selection is based on merit and economic criteria. The beneficiaries of this scheme are mostly from the families of daily wage labours working at IITK.

Pratibha Poshan Yojna (Senior)

This immensely popular program takes talented poor children of rural areas at Class 8 level. This year 4684 children were given this test in 38 blocks of 4 districts ranging from 40-160 km distance from IITK. A total of 20 students are selected in the scheme every year. Shiksha Sopan organizes 4-6 weeks Summer camps at IITK campus. Some short term camps (2-4 days) are also organized during vacations. During the camps rigorous studies of science and languages is done.

Sopan Vidyalaya

Sopan Vidyalaya runs regular school upto Class 7. It caters to the needs of the poorest section of society by providing education with personality development programmes. The school serves children of parents who are mostly illiterate, do wage work and cannot afford schooling for their children. A nutritious breakfast, textbooks, notebooks, subsidized school dress are provided. The children not only gain knowledge and become self confident, they also inculcate human values.

Higher Education cell

Higher Education cell of Shiksha Sopan helps economically weak children, who have passed Class 12 and wish to go for higher education. At present programme is supporting two students for MCA, two doing B tech, one in the BCA program and two doing BSc. We wish to make an endowment fund of US \$ 30,000 so that this programme can be sustained on interest.

VNK Merit Scholarship

Dr V N Kulkarni was an eminent Professor of Physics at IIT Kanpur, who dedicated himself to the cause of society. In his memory, Shiksha Sopan has started Dr V N Kulkarni Merit Scholarship for the children in villages close to IITK. This years about 15 children were selected from very poor economic background and are given this scholarship. The tests are conducted every year. We wish to create an endowment fund of US \$ 25,000 so that this programme can be sustained on interest.

We look forward to your support this year. Your help will promote talent from poor families. The programs that need support are:

Catag-ory	Description	Amount
A	Pratibha Poshan Yojana (Junior): Full education cost per year of 2 children from class 6-12 in a reputed school	US\$ 1400
B	Pratibha Poshan Yojana (Senior): Education cost per year of 5 children (class 8-10) for rural children	US\$ 1250
C	Sopan Vidyalaya Cost of giving semi-formal education per year to 5 students (class 1-7)	US\$ 1000
D	Higher Education Cell Cost of supporting the higher education of children per year	US\$ 1500
E	VNK Merit Scholarship Scholarship to 15 poor students, named after Late Prof VN Kulkarni (annually)	US\$ 1500
Endowment Fund your gift will help us endow the following two programs		
F	Endowment fund for Higher Education program (target \$30000)	US \$ 5000
G	Endowment for VNK Merit Scholarship (target \$25000)	US \$ 2500

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