

## Initiative 4

### Using Television Channels to Continue Learning during the Pandemic

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#### The School Context

Zila Parishad High School (Boys) is in Gudur block of Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh. The school is managed by the Local body and is situated in urban area. School consists of Grades from 6 to 10. It is all boy's school.

#### Challenges faced due to School Closure

The school faced many challenges as the area was declared as a containment zone and transportation stopped in the area. The headmaster and teachers of the school faced difficulties in Nadu-Nedu program works i.e., improving the learning outcomes and decreasing the dropout rate. The school faced many challenges including providing training to teachers so as to teach in virtual settings, finding resource persons for conducting teacher training, making necessary arrangements to store teaching materials online, and finding relevant resources online to share with students. Another challenge was to prepare an alternate academic calendar catering to scholastic and co-scholastic activities each month. Many students did not had access to digital devices, and students who had digital devices were facing digital addiction.



#### Innovative Leadership Practices for Mitigating Learning Gaps

To mitigate the learning gaps, school teachers regularly communicated to the parents & students. They distributed rice & Eggs with the help of Municipal commissioner & volunteers. As physical classes were not possible to organise, the school teachers and head arranged to take classes in online mode. They informed parents about online classes. Teachers and headmaster attended school regularly except for official meetings. Day-wise schedules were arranged for all subject teachers. The teachers assigned the

worksheets to the students. Head teacher communicated regularly with the community members individually about work and discussed developments regularly with them. Learning materials were shared among students and the queries are resolved through email, SMS, phone calls and using different social media like WhatsApp and Facebook. Teachers adopted new methods of teaching and used PowerPoint presentations, Videos, Video conferences etc.

### **Collaboration with Community and Parents to ensure Student Learning**

Head teacher & school teachers together with SMC members & parents promoted peer learning during the lockdown. To monitor the education of children and promotion of monitoring by the parents at home, all the class teachers communicated with the parents of the students. Teachers advised the students to watch DD programs on TV everyday afternoon 2.00 to 4.00 PM. They collected worksheets with the help of Sachivalayam volunteers & CRP.

### **Way Forward**

School teachers instruct all the students to maintain social distance, to use face masks, to sanitize hands daily. When the school reopens, they plan to follow the Covid protocols in its prevention so to allow teaching learning process continues without any issue.

### **Conference Presentation**

[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19SOk7Bc6BnElVja23o8YRhsTc\\_VC-7Kv/edit?usp=sharing&oid=103705547766060522301&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19SOk7Bc6BnElVja23o8YRhsTc_VC-7Kv/edit?usp=sharing&oid=103705547766060522301&rtpof=true&sd=true)