

Case Study

Name of the School : Garjanmura H. S. School, Gomati, Tripura.

Name of the School Head : Smt. Babita Majumder.

Problem / Challenge observed in the School

The new AHM of Garjanmura H S School, faced a unique problem after few months of her joining in the new school. Most of the students (i.e. 60%) of the school come from Religious Minority Community. One day she found her cell phone was missing from her table. When asked some of the students of class vii informed that they had seen Sun Akter, a student of class vii, enter the room of the AHM. But Sun Akter totally denied the fact. At last few teachers threatened him that he would be handed over to the police and few with love & affection made him understand to give back the mobile. At last he confessed and gave back the mobile. But after that incident, Sun Akter stopped coming to school which was a matter of concern.

The steps taken by AHM :

AHM called his parents and his mother and grandmother came to visit. His father works outside the country & once in a year a two when he comes home, he brings laptop & tablet at home Sun was interested in these devices. And the mother & grandmother were blaming each other for his lack of interest in studies. The AHM also came to know from them that he was beaten up by his uncle for taking the mobile and now they all reluctant to send their ward to school.

The SMC member were informed about this particular issue in a meeting but the very few members who were present were hopeless about him & his family members.

Results of the Action taken :

After repeated efforts by the school authority, Sun Akter came to school just for a day & he was given a counselling by a teacher. He told that his aim is to become a hacker and he does not want to come to school.

Probing Questions :

- * What challenges did the AHM face with respect to that particular child ?
- * Why do you think the SMC members do not involve themselves in the related case ? Why are they hopeless ?
- * What would you have done to ensure that SMC meeting was held to resolve this particular case ?
- * What would have the AHM done in order to understand the concern of the students and bring him back to school ?