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Name of the Department/Society: ADVAITA

Name of the Event: School Visit

Date of the Event: 11th Sep 2022

Convenor of the Department/Society: Dr. Parul Pant, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry,

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Description of the event:

It was Sunday morning on 11 September 2022, when 17 members of Nanak Mandal (the social service wing) of Advaita Society went to visit a school named 'Sabki Pathshala' for underprivileged children near Pragati Maidan.

This is an initiative by social activist Neetu Singh Ji for the children of marginalised and subaltern families.

The centre is set up away from the uproar of the city, at a place near the tranquillity of nature. The welcome, we received from the kids was very warm, candid and heart-touching, with every kid bursting with joy in unison.

We began with an ice-breaking session where we asked all the kids to introduce themselves. This was done in a manner to make them comfortable and at ease with few wholly unknown faces.

Then we started indulging them in activities as per their interests and even solved their doubts. Addressing their curiosity to know a multitude of things, we were awestruck at their understanding and wisdom about various issues.

Their pure, unadulterated innocence was like a pleasant blow of breeze to us. We didn't realise that an hour had passed. Playing with them, conducting quizzes and listening to their endless tales; it all felt as if we had a very old affiliation with them.

This was followed by well-coordinated, lively dance performances by some of the kids. They also showed us the paintings and craft items that they had prepared, making us ponder their immense potential and the requirement for proper guidance and support for their bright future.

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Further, we engaged the children in some fun activities like playing antyakshari, shaking a leg with them and a jamming session. Aparna taught them a few steps of Bharatnatyam which were most appreciated by the kids who were amazed at the beauty of the classical dance.

Before bidding goodbye, snacks and stationery products were distributed among the children. Their lit eyes and beautiful smiles were so incredible, that they made our day.

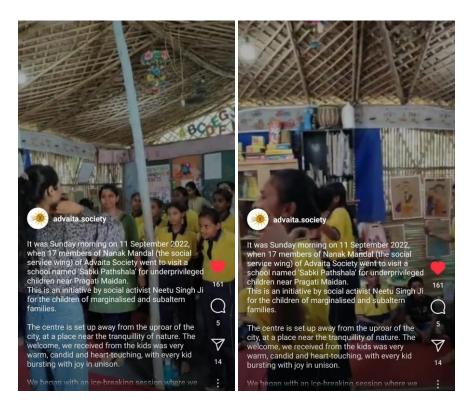
Our volunteers bought a few products that the kids had made themselves (under the aegis of an enterprise) like soaps, paper bags, craft items, cards, shampoo etc.

The event owes its success to the active participation of members and management of the Mandal pramukhs, namely Dharamveer and Neha.

We promised to come again to meet them anytime soon with more skills to teach, more wisdom to share and more time to spend.

We also vowed to give them whatever aid they need and leave no stone unturned to support this initiative of 'Sabki Pathshala'.

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List of participants: 17 members of Advaita led by Nanak Mandal wing of the society.