Manab Jamin Pathakendras

(Vidyacharcha Kendra curriculum)

A project of Society for Equitable Voluntary Actions (SEVA)

Society for Equitable Voluntary Actions (SEVA) started its journey in the year 1984 under the leadership of Sri Asok Ghosh, in whose view Rabindranath is our sky and Mahatma Gandhi our soil. Our organisation SEVA was formed to fight the three enemies of our society – poverty, illiteracy and apathy.

We commenced our journey with **Vikas Kendra**, the centre for rural development in 1985 in the Baduria Block of North 24 Parganas. **Ananda Kendra**, the abode of joy, a shelter for the women and children in need of care and protection is running since 1993 in the village of Atghara, Baduria Block, North 24 Parganas. SEVA runs another project under the name of **Manab Jamin** in Bolpur – Sriniketan Block, Birbhum in close proximity to Shantiniketan, Bolpur.

Manab Jamin Pathakendra is now an integral part of SEVA. In different remote villages of our project area in Birbhum it is observed that children of economically weaker sections do not get proper guidance for school education which makes it difficult for them to cope up with school curriculum, resulting in increasing rate of school dropouts. Hence, to reduce the rate of school dropouts, SEVA started a special coaching class for the children of SC, ST and economically weaker section of the community. The children are mostly students of local primary schools. We are following the model of **Vidyacharcha Kendra** through their simple systematic books and direct interactive method to make the foundation of education strong. Presently SEVA is running 10 Manab Jamin Pathakendras in 8 villages with the support from IKP Foundation and some benevolent friends. Further details of activities of SEVA may be seen in <u>https://www.sevakolkata.org</u>.

Sl. No.	Village/ Locality	Name of the teacher	Started on	No. of children
1.	Lohagarh	Smt Anima Garai	11.01.2019	12
2.	Chakpali	Smt Anima Garai	21.01.2019	13
3.	Mirzapur	Smt Promila Soren	01.08.2020	14
4.	Nurpur	Smt Shibani Mondal Majumder	09.05.2019	15
5.	Charakdanga (I)	Smt Promila Mistry	01.11.2020	16
6.	Charakdanga (II)	Smt Shibani Mondal Majumder	02.12.2020	14
7.	Supur (I)	Smt Krishna Roy	01.11.2020	15
8.	Paruldanga	Smt Tumpa Ghosh Kowar	01.12.2020	15
9.	Islampur	Smt Anima Garai	02.12.2020	13
10.	Supur (II)	Smt Krishna Roy	01.04.2021	14

One more Kendra is expected to be commenced soon at Hatrasulganj, a village of Santhal community.

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