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SPECIAL MENTION



MAXIMIZING RESPONSIVE CARE AND PROVIDING A GOOD START FOR ALL CHILDREN

The Journey of First 1000 Days in
Aspirational District Program

NATIONAL SEMINAR
SEPTEMBER 17, 2024
INDIA HABITAT CENTRE ,NEW DELHI



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NATIONAL-LEVEL SEMINAR HELD IN DELHI

A National Seminar on “Maximizing Responsive Care and Providing a Good Start for All Children,” was organized on September 17, 2024, at the Tamarind Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. The seminar marked the successful conclusion of the two-year of the “Journey of the First 1000 Days” a collaborative initiative developed under the guidance of NITI Aayog, supported by the Van Leer Foundation under an MoU and implemented by Vikramshila Education Resource Society (VERS).

The seminar brought together a diverse group of stakeholders, including practitioners, academics, paediatricians, built-environment practitioners, policymakers, government officials, civil society organizations and champions from the two target districts of Koraput in Odisha and Fatehpur in Uttar Pradesh. It featured several insightful panels and discussions, focusing on the significance of responsive caregiving in early childhood development (ECD) – the critical first 1,000 days of life. Insightful sessions were held on national initiatives in early stimulation, creating young child- and caregiver-friendly spaces, the importance of intersectoral convergence, and the scalability of home-visiting interventions.

The event was attended by Dr. Vinod K Paul (Member, NITI Aayog), Prof. Venita Kaul (Professor Emerita, Ambedkar University Delhi), Prof. Rekha Sharma Sen (Professor, Faculty of Child Development, IGNOU), and Dr. Rita Patnaik (Joint Director, ECCE & Women Empowerment and Safety, National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development, MWCD) among others.



500 AWWs TRAINED ON ECCE IN HAZARIBAGH

A series of three-day training sessions on Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) were conducted for 500 Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) from Hazaribagh district between August 30 and September 28. The training, delivered in 14 batches, was aligned with the objectives of the National Education Policy (NEP) and the Jharkhand ECCE curriculum, Nanhe Kadam. Participants appreciated the practical approach of the sessions and shared valuable suggestions for future training programs.

CENTRE ACCEPTS VERS-DEVELOPED CAREER CARDS

A database of 500 career cards which were developed by Vikramshila Education Resource Society in collaboration with UNICEF was endorsed by the Ministry of Education and officially launched on their website on July 29. It was also accepted by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

The database of 500 career cards have been divided by the Ministry into two volumes and can be downloaded by the viewer.

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Ministry of Education



Department of School Education & Literacy



Welcome to
Career Guidance Portal.

500 Roads to Success
Navigating life after school

The Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India, in collaboration with Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam on 29th July 2024.

This guidance and counselling innovative resource features 500 detailed "Career Cards" designed in line with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, these cards offer early exposure to a variety of career options, detailing the pathways and skills required for each. Use these engaging and user-friendly cards to guide students toward achieving their professional journeys effectively!

UNION MINISTER VISITS VERS STALL IN J'KHAND

Annpurna Devi, Union Minister for Women and Child Development, visited the stall set up by Vikramshila Education Resource Society at the closing ceremony of the seventh edition of 'Rashtriya Poshan Maah' in Ranchi, Jharkhand on October 1. The stall highlighted the best practices in Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE). The Poshan Maah campaign focuses on critical themes such as anaemia prevention, growth monitoring, effective service delivery through good governance and technology, "Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi," and supplementary nutrition.





STEM EVENT HELD AT AMERICAN CENTER

On September 17, 43 students from Uttarpara Union Girls' High School, Chandernagore Banga Vidyalaya, Mahesh Balika Vidyamandir, and Kalagachia Kailash Kamini High School presented four STEM projects at the American Center. The projects included Laser Security Systems, Li-Fi Technology, Range Finders, and IR Remote Control Technology. The event featured special guest Aisha Bowe, a Bahamian-American Aerospace Engineer and astronaut, who shared her inspiring journey. Her words encouraged the students to dream big, build confidence, and make their mark in the world of STEM.

READING CAMP ORGANISED WITH ITC SUPPORT

As part of the ITC's project Sunehra Kalhe, a 3-day long reading camps were designed between August and September to enhance the literacy skills of primary school students, particularly those who struggle with reading. It aimed to create an engaging and supportive environment where students could improve their reading abilities through focused activities and attention.



362 AWWs TRAINED IN ECCE PRACTICES IN ASSAM

Vikramshila along with ITC Mission Sunehra Kal, successfully trained 193 Anganwadi Workers in Early Childhood Education training in Kamrup district and 133 AWWs in Darrang district, Assam in August. The training proved useful, with AWWs actively applying their new skills and engaging more effectively with children in Anganwadi Centres. The training was lauded by both the ICDS officials and the AWWs.

