

SJVN Brings Quality Education to The Doorsteps of Villagers

Getting quality education in Rampur Bushair area of Himachal Pradesh, about 120 kms from state capital Shimla, is no longer a dream for the habitants of scores of villages surrounding SJVN's Nathpa Jhakri Hydro power station and Rampur Hydro power station located on the national highway to Kinnaur. Courtesy, SJVN funded and supported DAV Public School at Bayal and Delhi Public School at Jhakri, besides the Government run Higher Secondary School at Rampur and Jhakri which have educated and transformed the life of thousands of students, year after year, who are today well placed in medical, engineering, administrative services and business. Old people of the area recall how their wards had no facility of quality education in and around Rampur Bushair except in government run junior or high schools. Those who could afford, were sending their wards to good residential schools in Shimla and beyond for higher studies. However as SJVN commenced construction of its first and India's largest hydro power project at Jhakri in 1992, its priority encompassed making available quality education and health facilities for the locals.

It was about three decades ago, in 1994 that SJVN established branch of renowned and top rated Delhi Public School in the township of its 1500 MW Nathpa Jhakri Hydro power project at Jhakri. The school was opened not only for the wards of its employees but also for the project affected people as well as residents of surrounding villages. It was a dream come true for the locals as the fee structure for the locals was also kept at par with the company employees. Those from economically weaker sections of society were offered still lesser fees.

Dr Mukesh Gupta, Principal of Delhi Public School proudly tells that the school has already educated more than 5000 students so far many of whom are well settled as doctors, engineers, judges, CEOs besides many having joined armed forces and administrative services. At present more than 1100 students are getting quality educations in primary and senior sections of the school. The school has the best facilities of building infrastructure, furniture, smart classrooms besides well-equipped labs for Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics. The Principal further told that to build and develop innovative skills of the students they have established Artificial Intelligence (ATL) facilities in the school which are funded by Government of India NITI Ayog. The students have excelled in developing innovative skills and bagged a number of medals at the national level. The entire building and infrastructure has been provided by SJVN, he told, and the school is at par with any DPS of the country in terms of imparting quality education. The school has its own sprawling play ground with all the facilities of grooming sports talents.

The DAV School branch located in the premises of SJVN's Rampur Hydro Power Station's township in Bayal, near Rampur is another example of the company's priority of bringing quality education at the doorstep of the people. The higher secondary school, with strength of more than 1300 students, has been operational since 2014. The school is well equipped with the infrastructure like smart classrooms, furniture, library, computer and science laboratories besides a well laid out playground besides the facilities of transport for the students. The school has proved to be a boon for the students from nearby villages who are now getting quality education at par with top schools in big cities, admits a local resident whose wards have excelled in education. The fee structure and other facilities for the students is at par with the wards of SJVN employees, the Principal tells. Many of the school pass outs are already pursuing medical and engineering studies at IGMC, Shimla and NIT Hamirpur, etc, the Principal informed.

Besides the schools established within the premises of its own townships, SJVN has also aggressively funded Government run schools in Rampur and around to build better infrastructure. While the Government school located in Jhakri village had been provided new classroom blocks, playgrounds and the entire required infrastructure, the government school at Rampur had been provided more than Rs.2 crore for new building blocks for senior class students and the required infrastructure.

SJVN believes in rolling out infrastructure for these temples of education where the future generations of India are also taught life skills besides the academics.

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