2020 Perspective

Distance learning as a way forward to build resilience.
FROM THE CEO’S DESK

While there is this eerie silence in the classrooms and school buildings, there is ample noise in the corridors of the government, whether state-wise or taluk level, trying to sift through many options that are coming at them. There is an inescapable urgency in the air to get the children back to school in India and around the globe. The general consensus has been to reach the ‘teaching’ to wherever the children are!

Anyone that has been doing the work in the Education space, with or without technology as an enabler, understands the daunting task of this work in the under-served space. With my recent meetings with senior officials at DSERT, it has only confirmed my belief that the work begins now – for us to address access to education at many layers; building parallel systems to compliment efforts of the government; bringing about Distance Learning as a way-forward solution for resilience.

CLT India is proud to be an Associate Member of FICCI & we look forward to the opportunities of the association.

COVID crisis was a trigger that has raised our awareness about lack of multi-pronged approaches to ensure educational opportunities for children in remote areas. There are many models that have demonstrated as successful low-cost technology interventions to ensure children have learning opportunities even in remote areas. Government could adopt such models to complement their efforts!

In this edition, we share how we engaged with our teachers and students and community – one phone call at a time - about their apprehensions and some possible ways of learning even during the global crisis! Stay safe and Healthy. Very best to each one of you -
CLT India wins second Millenium Alliance award!

We are thrilled to announce that CLT India is a recipient of the Millennium Alliance award for Early Grade Reading (EGR) Initiative, to enhance perceptual learning abilities for children between grades 1-4 in Kannada language.

The MA awards, which is a consortium of partners (Public-Private Partnership) including the Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India, United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), UK Government’s Department for International Development (DFID), ICCO Cooperation, Netherlands; World Bank Group, Facebook and Marico Innovation Foundation.

We are happy for the collaboration for our EGR project with -

Key Partnerships

Dr. Helen Abadzi - Greek Cognitive psychologist | Faculty at University of Texas, Arlington in USA.

Mr. Akula Srinivas - Education & Literacy Specialists | Center for Sustainable Development, The Earth Institute - Columbia University | EGR project in partnership with the Government of Telangana.

Pratham foundation & CLT India have signed an MoU to scale e-learning programs through the Gurushala platform.
e-Patashale on DIKSHA

CLT’s e-Patashale has close to 4,000 STEM videos in Kannada medium, in addition to teaching resources. The entire suite is being uploaded on DIKSHA platform.

During the testing times of COVID-19, CLT launched #studyfromhome campaign to reach out teachers & students across the country to make avail of free e-learning resources on their mobile phones.

CLT Team personally reached out to 21 Districts, 17,500 teachers between April and August explaining how learning should pursue continuously and shared the resources with them.

Lohitha A - Teacher (Hosanagra)
Bhagya was invited to serve as a mentor for the WISE Emerging Leaders Fellowship program. WISE Emerging Leaders is a yearlong fellowship program that aims to cultivate the next generation of systems leaders in education with the tools, skills, community, and mindsets required to transform their communities and change systems.

In other news...

Bhagya was an esteemed panelist for the discussion on ‘Inclusive education & Digital divide’ at the Lifology Parents summit held on 12th July, 2020.

CLT India was a finalist at the 7th eNabling North East Development Award 2019-20 in the category of ‘Quality Education & Learning’
Access e-Patashale resources in English, Kannada & Hindi. More updates to follow!

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