Computer Shiksha turned 4 on 5th May 2016

Model 2 Pilot successful and Computer Shiksha gets ready for an aggressive Rollout Plan

As we mentioned in our April 2016 volume of the newsletter, Computer Shiksha started with a pilot project in a school for the final proof of concept of its Model 2 of delivery where Computer Shiksha raises funds / donations of old computers, installs, commissions and maintains computer hardware and software in Municipal / NGO schools, trains the trainers on its Modular Curriculum delivered through e-learning content created in the form of video lessons for each module.

Summary of the Implementation

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Substantial work has happened in enrolling half a dozen more schools in these months where classes will start in July and August. Hopefully in the next edition of the newsletter you would see a list that will pleasantly surprise you with its length.
Our Sponsors

We are thankful to our regular donors and sponsors who have been supporting delivery of lessons to more than a thousand children in Model 1.

The new model needs substantial investment in creation of the content, (details outlined below) and without the steady support of organizations who have bought into our vision, what we are doing would not have been possible. Traversing this new path for Computer Shiksha has been possible because of the following organizations.

**Human Development Foundation**

Preparation of the entire course means

1. Preparation of the e-learning content with Hindi voice over
2. Preparation of the manuals-
   a. Hardware / Software Troubleshooting manual in Hindi
   b. Trainer’s manual in Hindi for all the modules of the course

Computer Shiksha’s model 2 expansion is powered by Virtusa too. Expansion means acquiring refurbished hardware to be put in schools, training resources from the school to take classes etc. The organization has come forward to support Model 2 implementation in schools in NCR by providing funds for partial manpower and partial hardware costs support for 50 schools.

We look forward to more supporters for this activity as, our expenses are quite high on this.

**New Addition to the team**

Pradeep Marwaha joins us as Programme Manager and has taken up the mantle to take Computer Shiksha to as many schools as possible in the shortest period of time. Pradeep has already evangelized the concept to multiple schools and we are expecting an increased number of schools signing up in the next quarter.

An engineer from BITS Pilani (1980) and now a fellow from Teach for India (2016), Pradeep has worked in very senior positions including that of a Country Manager for very large technical / engineering organizations. Computer Shiksha is fortunate to have its expansion trusted in such seasoned hands.

Welcome Pradeep and more power to you!

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**Picture Gallery**

- Kids learning in Bal Shiksha Kendra
- Kids learning in Pragati School
- A teacher uses her text processing skills to write this Thank You note to Computer Shiksha
- Computer Shiksha trainers do a final check of all the computers in the class before the first day’s class gets kiced off

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**APPEAL**

We need your help to fuel Model 2. Please donate funds, old working laptops & Desktops. Spread the word and encourage others too

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