

RDOET
(HAO India)

Project	:	Educate 900 Children in Hyderabad Slums (# 5290)
Report on	:	<i>“Literacy is a fundamental human right.”</i> International Literacy Day – 8th September
Summary	:	The project will enable 900 children to go send to school. In these areas there is no electricity, clean water & proper shelter. Will provide for school needs, solar lamp & safe & clean water.

Background information of the identified Area:

The people living here are in pathetic situation, without any basic amenities like clean drinking water proper sanitation, no electricity and live in huts. Main occupation of these communities is Garbagelifters, ragpicking. Children are school dropouts not having proper education & they go for begging at Bus stops.



Objective:

- ***To celebrate International Literacy Day – 8th September 2012 in dignity as a human being.***
- ***Provide Literacy material to the children***
- ***Motivate and mobilize Awareness on Literacy***

Literacy is a fundamental human right and the foundation for lifelong learning. It is fully essential to social and human development in its ability to transform lives. For individuals, families, and societies alike, it is an instrument of empowerment to improve one's health, one's income, and one's relationship with the world.

Literacy is a cause for celebration since there are now close to four billion literate people in the world. However, literacy for all – children, youth and adults - is still an unaccomplished goal and an ever moving target. A combination of ambitious goals, insufficient and



parallel efforts, inadequate resources and strategies, and continued underestimation of the magnitude and complexity of the task accounts for this unmet goal. Lessons learnt over recent decades show that meeting the goal of universal literacy calls not only for more effective efforts but also for renewed political will and for doing things differently at all levels - locally, nationally and internationally.

International Literacy Day was proclaimed to be held every year on September 8th by the United Nations on November 17th, 1965. The first Literacy Day however was observed on 1966. The main aim behind starting a day on literacy was to spread awareness among individuals, communities and countries.



Why is literacy important?

Literacy is not only important to read and write but it leads to an overall more empowered society. Some of the reasons of importance of Literacy are:

- *"Right to Literacy" is a human right and a means for personal empowerment.*
- *It is important for social development.*
- *A literate society is the core of developing a society free of poverty, child mortality, population growth, gender equality, peace and development.*





Children and parents are very excited to receive the material. On behalf of these children and parents we extend our deep gratitude to all our valued Donors of Globalgiving for their valuable support for these down-trodden children of this community in particular.

Thanking you for your continued support!

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RDOET IN ACTION:

RDOET (HAO India) distributed Books and reading material to all the children in this identified area. One of our Board Member has emphasized and enlightened awareness on literacy and importance of being a literate. All children and parents were very much encouraged and taken as challenge to get atleast basic education for their better standard as a fundamental right.

