## The Annual Report of Shoshit Seva Sangh for the financial year 2013-14 (April 01, 2013 to March 31, 2014)

The annual examination at Shoshit Samadhan Kendra, a fully free English medium residential school run by Shoshit Seva Sangh was held from 17<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2013. The question paper set were based on the norms laid down by the CBSE. The overall performance of the children could be considered as very good. The school closed for annual vacation for 10 days on the completion of the annual examinations on March 26<sup>th</sup>. On their return from vacation the children of middle and senior school were asked to write their experiences. After reading over a hundred such reports, I would like to make the following important observations

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- (a) The level of education and the manner in which the students carried themselves in the village aroused curiosity and interest in them among the villagers particularly the musahar community. Within the community, notwithstanding their young age, they were treated with some respect and consideration. The intervention by the students with regard to undesirable social activities and practices made an impact. That many of these children could read and write English attracted a great deal of interest in them not only in the community but also among the villagers.
- (b) Many of the students reported that they raised the issue of making illicit liquor and alcoholism prevalent in the community. In some cases their insistence with their parents to shun this bad habit was successful.
- (c) Almost all the students of the school including those in the primary school helped their siblings and in some cases children of the community in their studies. Many of them talked about the importance

of going to school. They really and effectively spread the message that education is vital for the future of the musahar community. Many students were invited by teachers of government village schools to take classes in the school. The village school teachers appreciated the knowledge of the student.

(d) Many children talked about the illegality of child marriage and why marrying off under age children particularly girls was bad for their health as well as their future.

Overall it can be said that the children of our school have already started making a healthy impact in the musahar community. Of course, there is a long way to go before this becomes very visible and brings about real as well as sustainable change.

All the children of the school were happy to go home on vacation. All of them in their statement said that they went out of the way to show respect and consideration for their parents as well as elders. In their own small way they tried to be a role model for the children of the community. Many of them took the children of the community to the nearest cyber café and showed the children the website of Shoshit Seva Sangh and photographs of their school and their activities in the school.

50 children have been selected to join the pre-school class. All these children are from remote villages of different districts of Bihar, most of them being the backward districts of the state. The idea is to spread the message of education and create catalyst of change in as wide a area as possible. With the new admissions the total number of students in the school for the academic year 2013-14 is 320.

The faculty and staff at Shoshit Samadhan Kendra, the school run Shoshit Seva Sangh has been augmented. Simranpreet Singh Oberoi, a qualified engineer from MIT, Pune, who was working in the corporate sector has joined as Chief Project Officer. He was a fellow of the Young India Fellowship programme and has a passion for working for the underprivileged children. Similarly, Mr. Dilkash Wakeel, a post-graduate from the famous Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, who was working in a multinational bank joined as the Project Leader. Both of them live in the school premises and have really added quality to the faculty and the management staff at the school. A highly qualified teacher in English who has done Masters in the subject and has a B.Ed. degree as well as extensive experience of teaching in English medium schools has joined the faculty. The student teacher ratio at SSK is 1:22. There are 320 children in the school.

The Foundation Day of SSK was observed on Tuesday, July 16, 2013. Mr. Yashwant Sinha, former Union Finance & Foreign Minister of India, was the Chief Guest and Mr. Janak Pandey, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Bihar, was the Guest of Honour. The students put-up a cultural performance which included a one act play from Shakespeare's 'Macbeth'. The function was well attended and the audience included over 200 parents / guardians of the students. It was well covered in the Press. Some photographs of the function are attached.

The construction of the school building is progressing satisfactorily. So far Rs. 5 crores have been spent on the construction work. The total cost of the project is Rs. 12 crores. It will be a double-storied building with a foundation for four floors. When completed the building will accommodate 500 school children in residence.

In response to the application to Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) requesting for the affiliation of the school, a two member team of inspectors visited Shoshit Samadhan Kendra on September 15, 2013. The team appeared to

be very impressed with the standard of education imparted at the school and the facilities available. Mr. Joseph Emanueel, the team leader, expressed the view that the project taken-up by Shoshit Seva Sangh to impart quality education to the children of the musahar community was a noble effort and a unique project. It is expected that SSK, the fully free English medium residential school for the musahar children should get CBSE affiliation in the current academic year ending March 2014.

The half-yearly semester exam was held in the month of September 2013. The subjects in which the students appeared were Maths, Science, Social Studies / Environmental Science, Hindi & English. The class average in all the classes from UKG to class XII was more than 65%.

In October, 2014, students of the school participated in on-the-spot painting competition organized by the European Union. More than 4000 children participated from all over India. 10 children of the school figured in the role of honour of 100 children for excellence in painting. They were awarded certificates at a functions presided over by the Ambassador of the European Union in India, His Excellency Dr. Joao Carvinho".

A big milestone has been achieved for SSK in December 2013 with the CBSE affiliation being granted to the school. The affiliation number allotted to the school (school number 50442) is 330515. We are grateful to the CBSE team and hope to achieve many more heights.

Mr. J.K. Sinha, founder Shoshit Samdhan Kendra, was honoured for his valuable contribution in the field of education and literacy as a 'Literacy Hero' in the Rotary South Asia Literacy Summit, 14-15 December 2013, New Delhi.

In January 2014, a group of six students went to a 4-day Mumbai trip sponsored by Mr. Amit Chandra, MD, Bain Capital, Private Equity. The five top-most academically proficient kids of Class IV, V and VI went through a quiz round. The top two performers from each class were selected. The students went by air and stayed at the YMCA youth hostel. During their visit, the students went to many places of tourist-interest and were thrilled to see a beach for the first time in their lives. On the last day, they visited Kidzania, an edutainment centre for children, and had fun while having real life experiences through role-play. They also had a nice interactive session with the EdelGive Team

In February 2014, a quiz – 'Bowl to Meet Sachin' was conducted by Young India Fellows for the students of SSK. 170 students participated in the initial rounds of written tests that included a series of objective questions and essay-writing. The students who performed well were selected for the final audio visual Quiz round. On 18th February 2014, seven teams, two students each, went through three rigorous rounds of quizzing. Ram Murari (Class III) & Mithilesh (Class VIII) won the quiz and now will be going to Mumbai to have a dinner with the cricket icon Sachin Tendulkar.

On 28 March, 2014 our X and XII std students were featured in a special Hindi edition of BBC where they talk about their dreams and aspirations. The link for the same is:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/hindi/india/2014/03/140327\_dalit\_series\_mushar\_bihar\_election2014spl aa.shtml

In March 2014, the IX graders came up with an idea of initiating change in their communities by creating awareness about education, sanitation, social evils and much more in their respective villages. In seven days, they covered seven villages, and conveyed their message through street plays. The entire project was self organised and executed by the students themselves. This was a small but very

important step in creating long lasting change in the community initiated by these change agents in our students. **Please click on this link to see the video:** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IV4zRCFSVIO&feature=youtu.be

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The accounts of Shoshit Seva Sangh for the financial year 2013-14 were audited by M/s Singh Ray Mishra & Co., Chartered Accountants, Patna. The total expenditure during the financial year was Rs.6,64,20,433/- including the cost of land & building. The Audit Report is available http://www.sssfoundation.com/financial.html .

The Head of the NGO Shri J.K. Sinha does not draw any remuneration or enjoy any benefit on account of the NGO. The highest paid functionary of the NGO is the Chief Project Officer of the school, Shri Simranpreet Singh Oberoi, who got salary of Rs. 50000/ per month-. The lowest paid staff is the Sweeper in the school getting a salary of Rs.4200/- per month. The distribution of staff according to salary levels and gender break up are as follows:-

Slab of gross salary per month (in Rs) plus benefits	Male	Female staff	Total staff
paid to staff	staff		
Less than 5000	16	00	16
5,000 – 10,000	04	00	04
10,000 – 25,000	16	06	22
25,000 – 50,000	01	00	01
50,000 – 1,00,000	00	00	00
Greater than 1,00,000	00	00	00

All the Board Members including the Founder-Chairman work in a purely voluntary capacity and draw no benefits from the Shoshit Seva Sangh. However,

Shri B.C.Varma who is the Hony. Director of the Shoshit Samadhan Kendra, the fully free English medium residential school run by Shoshit Seva Sangh and is a Member of the Board of Trustees drew a conveyance allowance of Rs.6000/- per month after the joining of the Chief Project Officer of SSK. The list of Board of Trustees is available at <a href="http://www.sssfoundation.com/aboutsss.html">http://www.sssfoundation.com/aboutsss.html</a>.

No international travel was undertaken by the personnel of Shoshit Seva Sangh. Internal or national travel was undertaken only by the Founder-Chairman but on principle he has laid down that internal travel by him or any member of the Board of Trustees on account of Shoshit Seva Sangh shall be borne personally by the Trustee himself.

The accounts of Shoshit Seva Sangh for the financial year 2012-13 were audited by reputed Charted Accountants Singh Ray Mishra and Company. The balance-sheet, income and expenditure statements as well as receipts and payments as per the audit report are given below as Table 1 - Balance Sheet, Table 2 - Income and Expenditure Account, and Table 3- Receipt and Payment Account.

	SHOSHIT SEVA SANGH NEW PATLIPUTRA COLONY, PATNA- 13 BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH'2014				
ABILITIES		AMOUNT(Rs.)	ASSETS		AMOUNT(Rs.)
GENERAL FUND (O/B): Less : Excess of Expenditure over income	26,832,655.68 1,734,841.51	25,097,814.17	FIXED ASSETS As per Annexure- A		114,568,309.64
BUILDING FUND-(O/B): Add: Addition during the year  CURRENT LIABILITIES	49,466,091.75 46,564,744.00	96,030,835.75	CURRENT ASSETS TDS Add: Addition during the year Donation Receivable (ONGC)	105,412.00 83,434.05	188,846.09 1,960,000.00
Audit Fee	.*	30,000.00	Cash In Hand & Bank ICICI Patna (2909) ICICI Patna (7479) ICICI Delhi (5435) SBI Patna HDFC Patna Cash in Hand	1,622,393,15 465,940,00 18,039,08 134,806,10 2,200,154,90 161,00	4,441,494.23
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Place: PATNA 1 Dated: The 20day of	SHOSHIT SEVA	SANGH (Regd) LUL (C.) SINHA) RMAN		(K. K. SINGH) Partner M No: 0529:	39 Chetters Accounts

**Table 1 - Balance Sheet** 

## SHOSHIT SEVA SANGH NEW PATLIPUTRA COLONY, PATNA INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH'2014 **EXPENDITURE** AMOUNT(Rs.) INCOME AMOUNT(Rs.) Art-Work Items A/c 15.755.00 Donation Received 10,507,183,13 Bank Charges A/c 3,766.89 Bank Interest 195,847.51 Clothes and Shoes A/c 402,714.00 Computer Peripherals A/c By, Excess of Expenditure 1,734,841.51 Electricity Charges A/c 163,888.00 Over Income Fuction & Seminar A/c 27,890.00 Honorarium / Salary A/c 5,599,224.00 Medicine A/c 74,013.00 Mess Account 3.247.848.00 Miscellenous A/c 244,413,00 1,130,000.00 Repair & Maintainance A/c 276,254.00 Scholorship A/c 120,000.00 Special Coaching Fee 28,730.00 Stamp & Postage Printing & Stationery A/c Telephone & Internet A/c 25,482.00 85,154.00 73,230.50 Textbooks A/c 228,809.00 Toiletories A/c 209,541.00 Tour & Travel A/c Depreciation 280,103.76 12,000.00 12,437,872.15 12,437,872.15

For SINGH RAY MISHRA & CO. & Co. eg Chartered Accountants SHOSHIT SEVA SANGH (K. K. SINGH) Dated : The 30th day of Sept. 2014 HAIRMAN Partner M No: 052939

## **Table 2 - Income and Expenditure Account**



**Table 3- Receipt and Payment Account** 

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Audit Fee