# The month that was!

Citizen Empowerment Division

# Hunger Project

- Class 7 B and C respectively on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>
   December, 2017 led the Hunger Project.
- The distributions were held in Nizamuddin Basti, the basti having religious and historic connotations has evolved as a Muslim ghetto over decades and have become a key space for homeless and shelter less community.
- The students also briefly interacted with the residents of temporary shelters built by government (ren basera).

#### CSA-CED Club -5

- Class 5 was involved in collecting, sorting and packaging the items received as donations for Christmas giveaways.
- They also got acquainted with fundamentals of social enquiry i.e. survey and documenting and sharing experiences.





- Class 6 had initiated some work around Fair Trade in Oct-Nov, 2016, in continuation with that, they watched some documentaries on Fair Trade, listened to and reflected on the stories and experiences of tea plantation workers in that regard.
- They also drew and structured posters and charts on fair trade to commerate the fair trade week. The students also identified products and markets which operate on the philosophy of fair produce and chalked strategies to promote the same.
- They suggested to set up a fair trade food stall in January, 2017 to sensitize us all on the fair trade principle.

### CSA-CED Club -7

- Class 7 advanced further with their survey and research skills. They initiated a survey in the neighbourhood on impact of demonetization in their lives.
- The survey was in the context of emergent problems of demonetization.

#### A survey on demonetization

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In this survey I asked many people

about demonetization, I basically asked how it affected them. And people shared views like some people said, "our P.M did good and it is important for the country." Some people also said that it was not right as our PM immediately did this although it is good for our future. Generally people seem affected but were happy thinking it is a good punishment for people taking

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bribe.

#### CSA-CED Club -8

- ■The group was at the forefront for collection drives.
- ■They equipped themselves on basics of facilitating a discussion such as conducting interviews and Focussed Group Discussions through role plays.

## **Vocational Training**

- The beauty culture and tailoring group of students were pro-active in helping us with house day preparations, from their earnings, they bought some essentials for their course.
- Ms. Kanta Taragi, the trainer for the dress designing course is bidding farewell to us, she has been with us since 15 years and have anchored this group efficiently. In her place, Ms. Rimna Das has joined us, she is a young and enthusiastic trainer who has also been the alumnus of the vocational training school.

- In the Computer Science Vocational group, 4 students appeared for the examination anchored by NIT Foundation and all of them came out with distinctions.
- With Christmas around the corner, the group had some fun time on 21st December, 2016 wherein they played games and organised a pot-luck.

[We look forward to holding more focused and meaningful beyond class-room engagements such as equipping and enhancing skills of communication, life-skills or simply playing an interesting game or activity you have tried out in the class-room, if you have ideas and could can help facilitate the same for our vocational training group, it would be great!]



#### **IAYP**



Community Service IAYP group are working on the theme of farming and issues, in relation to that they interacted with the team of field workers from Pradan who work closely with famers in Bundelkhand and Vidharbha.

- We have successfully completed four IAYP session in the month of December, 2016.
- The dates for the sessions in the month of January and February, 2017 are as listed;
- Since showcasing is scheduled on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2017, we could start preparing for the same.

Month	Dates
January, 2017	19/1/17
February	2/2/17
	9/2/17
	<b>16/7/17-</b> Showcasing

#### Having fun the Dada way!





In the remedial classes, Jessica Singh (Evidence Based practioner and co-founder of <u>artySORTS</u>) came to indulge the students in creative rebellion.

The concept is based on the DADA philosophy of art which uses sarcasm to vent out and express issues, complex emotions etc. The Dadaist mean to turn the world upside down, to make it seem crazy and absurd and rethink the items that surround us so that we might rethink our world. Through creating Dada poems, the children were encouraged to express without any filters and the results were stunning!

# Dashing through the snow!!



The children in Santa Maria School, Orchha celebrated Christmas by decorating the Christmas tree and had class party.

There were loads of gifts collected from Santa Maria, Delhi for our Ochha school children, all were distributed and they loved the gifts.

# Upcoming..

- IAYP Showcasing
- Can-Support-community sensitisation and awareness
- The students of CSA Class 6 (social work group) are planning to facilitate a fair trade stall to sensitize the student community on the fair practices.