

Attendees: Protima, Sekar, Amit, Nehal, Venki, Shaibal, Shrushti, Venkatesh, Tushar, Pankil, Vidhya, Anuj

External Speaker: Vallabh Bhai

Vallabh Bhai dialed in remotely for part of the meeting as external speaker.

Pre-speaker meeting notes:

There was a pre-speaker and post-speaker discussion

Vallabh Bhai

is an Asha Fellow

Asha trust is an NGO in India

Vallabh Bhai is a volunteer with Asha Trust

Education intervention

awareness programs on RTI, Food Security Act, RTE, MNREGA etc.

organizes programs, seminars in Varanasi around these topics

RTI advocacy in Varanasi

He does site visits from his own pocket because we pay him fellowship

He has done site visit for Asha Darshan in 2013, VARUN in 2015, for example.

Monitoring reservation in Primary schools (25% based on low income group), where it is working where it is not working

Effectiveness of various roles.

Environment: Tag along with Swachh Bharath Abhiyaan

Saved 24 matured trees on road divider

Vallabh Bhai speaking:

RTI: Featured in Doordarshan program Jan ne ka hak

RTE: Teacher to student ratio is not good. There are several vacancies which have not been filled yet.

School Management Committees are defunct. They don't even know what are their rights and powers. Educated them through awareness programs.

Food Security Act

Member of "Shikha ka Adhikaar Abhiyaan"

Sponsorship issue

RTI

Refer to the slides on project page for details on each point discussed. Just noted what is not on the slides here for brevity.

slides: http://www.ashanet.org/projects-new/documents/611/fellowship_proposal_2016.pptx

Vallabh Bhai's report: http://www.ashanet.org/projects-new/documents/611/vallabh_report16.docx

Post-speaker meeting:

No change in budget proposal. Same as last year.

Rs 30,000 per month, INR 3,60,000 for this year.

Amit to open the polls.

Spring Run Planning

Problems with previous website

It is not enticing. Venki agrees with this.

New donations UI, move away from existing donation interface.

Prakash and Venki to setup the old registration page and make it ready
Amit to work on the new registration page that uses the new Donations UI. In
one week if Amit is comfortable in using the new page, we can start testing
the new page
for 1 week or so and decide to use old or new registration page.

Venki to make changes to front-end of Spring Run web page as well as back end
- using existing page.
Use the same waiver as last year (as Protima, Suhas to email Protima and
confirm)

If design is good people will not wear it.
Suhas to check Tshirt vs cap cost. If it is comparable, he will just go with
cap.

Food: Just like last year
If you are a runner, food is free. If you have guest, you could buy carnival
ticket (\$5) and be eligible for free food.
If you want seconds, \$5.

Thanks,
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