**Vivekananda Teacher Training and Research Centre, Hosahalli**

**April 2012 to March 2013**

**Activity Report**

VTTRC was started in 2006 with an aim to provide quality teachers who are trained, value-based and understand the tribal and rural culture. These young teachers, from the local community, go back and work in the same community and help improve the quality of elementary education. VTTRC runs a 2 year Diploma in Education (D.Ed) program which is affiliated to the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE). Each batch has strength of 50 of which 10 seats are reserved for the forest based tribes. A majority of the students are from the SC and ST communities of the taluk.

In addition to the curriculum transaction, VTTRC focuses on making the students well-rounded individuals by conducting co-curricular activities, personality development programs, value education programs, exposure visits to formal and non-formal schooling systems, teaching learning material workshops, discussions on current trends in education and interactive sessions with experts.

**Aim –** To build tribal and rural youth to be versatile value based, research oriented teachers relevant to rural, tribal context.

**Objectives**

• Impart professional humanitarian values in teachers

• Encourage practical learning to improve quality of primary education

• Cultivate the capacity to facilitate learning in rural and tribal children

**First and Second year D.Ed Students Break Up 2012-13**

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| **Category** | **Boys** | **Girls** | **Total** |
| SC | 07 | 11 | 18 |
| ST | 05 | 06 | 11 |
| Tribal | 03 | 08 | 11 |
| 2A | 0 | 02 | 02 |
| 2B | 0 | 01 | 01 |
| 3A | 0 | 01 | 01 |
| 3B | 0 | 05 | 05 |
| **Total** | **15** | **34** | **49** |

**First year D.Ed Break Up 2012-13**

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| **Category** | **Boys** | **Girls** | **Total** |
| SC | 02 | 05 | 07 |
| ST | 01 | 01 | 02 |
| Tribal | 03 | 07 | 10 |
| 2B | 0 | 01 | 01 |
| 3B | 0 | 02 | 02 |
| **Total** | **06** | **16** | **22** |

**Second year D.Ed Break Up 2012-13**

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| **Category** | **Boys** | **Girls** | **Total** |
| SC | 05 | 06 | 11 |
| ST | 04 | 05 | 09 |
| Tribal | 0 | 01 | 01 |
| 2A | 0 | 02 | 02 |
| 3A | 0 | 01 | 01 |
| 3B | 0 | 03 | 03 |
| **Total** | **09** | **18** | **27** |

# Activity Report April 2012

14th April 2012 – AmbedkarJayanthi was celebrated to highlight the importance of the contributions made by Dr. B R Ambedkar in drafting the Constitution of India. Students also spoke about his childhood and education. Poetry and Extempore competitions were also conducted as a part of the event.

**May 2012**

8th May 2012 – Parents' Meeting was held to share the academic performance of the students along with other issues like the attendance and performance in co-curricular activities. The meeting also helped us build a rapport with the parents. Mr. Devanna, father of Kavitha N D (2nd year D.Ed), requested the college to give importance to computer education.

11th May 2012 – Smt. Lalithamma, a retired teacher, talked to the students about the 'Uses of Ayurvedic Plants'.

17th May 2012 – Mr. Ravishankar, a lawyer, talked to the teacher trainees about the Constitution of India. He stressed upon areas related to the Education.

18th and 19th May 2012 – National Service Scheme (NSS) Camp was held at Tiger Block, H D Kote taluk. The objective of this program was to give the students an experience of the community service. The students conducted awareness campaigns on education and sanitation in the village. In addition, a survey on the educational and sanitation status of the village was also conducted. Vivekananda Memorial Hospital Kenchanahalli also participated in the program by conducting a health check-up camp for the benefit of the community.

23rd May 2012 – A quiz program on General Science was conducted by the Vijnana Vahini team. All the students participated in this program.

25th May 2012 – A 'Maths Model Preparation' workshop was conducted by Dr. S N Gananath. The program was beneficial in improving the skills of the teacher trainees.

**June 2012**

2nd June 2012 – A 'Science Teaching-Learning Materials (TLM) Preparation' Workshop was conducted by the Vijnana Vahini team. Students of both 1st and 2nd year participated, in groups, in the TLM preparation.

8th and 9th June 2012 – Mr. Raju, Teacher Educator, underwent a training on the preparation of a wall paper at R V College, Bangalore. The training program was conducted by the 'Makaranda' team. Makaranda is a monthly wallpaper, with the theme of teacher education.

23rd June 2012 – A workshop on 'Value Education' was conducted by Mr. Ravishankar, VSET. The participants were made aware of several strategies that can be used to include values into the regular curriculum.

28th June 2012 – The Co-ordination Board visited the college to review the academic progress of our college. The committee, containing five members, evaluated the work done by the students and the teachers. The committee was happy with the academic progress of the students and gave inputs for the further improvement.

**July 2012**

9th July 2012 – Department of State Education Research and Training (DSERT) conducted a workshop on the preparation of the new curriculum for D.Ed program based on the recommendations of National Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education (NCFTE 2009). Mr. P Mahesh, Principal, participated in the workshop.

13th July 2012 – A training program was conducted for the teacher trainees and High School Science teachers upon the usage of the 'Lab in a Box'. A 'Lab in a Box' is a kit containing necessary equipment to demonstrate over 30 physics and chemistry experiments based on High School and Higher Primary School curriculum.

**August 2012**

3rd August 2012 – A workshop on the importance of Inclusive education and its benefits was conducted at the college. Mr. Kumar and Mr. Mahesh, staff of Inclusive Education Project of SVYM, interacted with the students on the above topic. They also talked about the development of the Braille script.

18th August 2012 – A workshop was held at Mahajana PU College, Mysore for the coordinators of Heritage Clubs. The workshop was conducted by the Department of Tourism and Heritage. Protection of Heritage and historical monuments, role of UNESCO and activities of the Heritage Club in 2012 – 2013 were the main themes of the workshop. Teacher educator Mr. Raju participated in the workshop.

21st August 2012 – An interaction with Mr. Shivappa, alumnus of VTTRC, was conducted. He is presently working as a resource person in Science and has conducted several workshops in D.Ed colleges and schools. He strongly felt that there were several opportunities available for the D.Ed pass-outs and it is for them to utilize them properly.

**September 2012**

5th September 2012 – Teachers' Day was celebrated in the college on the birth date of Dr. S Radhakrishnan, a great teacher, philosopher and former President of India. Sports and cultural competitions were held for all teachers.

29th September 2012 – As a continuation to an earlier program on Value Education, Mr. Ravishankar, VSET conducted a workshop on integration of value education into the academic curriculum. All the teacher educators and teacher trainees participated in this workshop.

**October 2012 – Dussera Vacation**

**November 2012**

1st November 2012 – 57th Kannada Rajyothsava was celebrated with an aim to develop an understand and respect towards the language. Mr. Raju, teacher educator, gave a talk on the evolution of the language.

2nd November 2012 – A personality development program on “Handling stress, importance of Self Evaluation and Positive attitude”was conducted for the teacher trainees. Dr. UshaVastare was the resource person.

29th& 30th November 2012 – Mrs. Radhamani and Ms. Malathi reviewed the work of the college and gave suggestions for further improvement in areas like Action research, integration of laboratories and classroom teaching and maintenance of website.

**December 2012**

15th December 2012 – A workshop on Creative Teaching, by renowned educationist Dr. Gururaj Karjagee was organized for the teacher educators and teacher trainees. He also talked about the use of VARK techniques (Video, Audio, Read & Write, Kinesthetic).

17th to 21st December 2012 – Teacher trainees attended a workshop on “Education of Children with Special Needs” conducted by JSS College, Mysore.

27th December 2012 – Teacher trainees and teacher educators interacted with Dr. R Balasubramaniam, Founder, SVYM on the theme – Professionalism and Ethics in teachers and developing questioning skills among the students.

**January 2013**

1st January 2013 – Marks cards of the last batch of students were distributed by Mr. Nagarajaiah, HoD, Planning & Execution, DIET, Mysore and Ms. Malathi, Head – Institution based Education Programs, SVYM. The alumni also shared their experiences and interacted with the present students.

6th January 2013 – Teacher Educators and teacher trainees participated in a workshop - Value Integrated Teacher and Learning (VITAL) – to discuss strategies to integrate values into the regular classroom environment without having a separate syllabus. Teachers from all educational institutions and projects of SVYM participated in the workshop.

12th January 2013 – Teacher trainees participated in the celebrations of 150th Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda at SVYM campus in Saragur.

24th January 2013 – Swami Sharadatmanandaji, Ramakrishna Mutt, Kengeri gave a talk about the Vedas, Upanishads and Indian culture. He stressed upon the role of teachers in nation building.

31st January 2013 – Teacher trainees demonstrated the Teaching-Learning Materials (TLM) prepared by them as a part of the Teaching Practice at the local schools. The exhibition was organized at GHPS Gandathur. The teachers of the Government schools, School Development and Management Committee members and community members participated in the event.

**February 2013**

8th February 2013 – Mr. Suresh and Mr. Jaishankar from Vanamitra had an interactive session on the role of birds in nature and their rescue.

9th February 2013 – Mr. Praveen from Vijnana Vahini conducted a workshop on Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE) based on NCF for all the staff and trainees of VTTRC. The workshop was very useful as it was being implemented in all the schools from the next academic year.

15th February 2013 – The teacher trainees participated in the Vijnana Mela conducted by the Vijnana Vahini team. The teacher trainees participated in organizing the event and the career guidance program.

23rd February 2013 – Mr. Aditya Kiran, from ASHA San Diego, visited the college and interacted with the students. He also interacted with the teacher educators and suggested few changes which could improve the quality of the education and the employability of the students. The team also discussed with him the setting up of a resource centre for the benefit of the teacher trainees and nearby Govt. schools.

**March 2013**

7th March 2013 – Ms. Swaroopa visited the Deenabandhu School, Chamarajanagar. She observed the classrooms and resource centre at the organization and learnt about how the school was managed.

15th and 16th March 2013 – Mr. Vasudevachar and Mr. Raju attended a workshop on the utilization of teaching learning materials (TLM) in classrooms. The workshop was conducted by Karnataka Education Network (KEN).

16th March 2013 – Ms. Padma Sanjeevini conducted a workshop on value education for the teacher trainees. She also discussed about how the values integrated into regular classroom transaction.

17th March 2013 – students of VTTRC attended Rasagrahana – a cultural program conducted by Karnataka Sangeetha & Nruthya Academy, at Saragur. Classical dance performances and music programs were given by professional artists to highlight the value of Indian culture and heritage.