

HELLO!

Welcome to Neev Shikshan Sanstha's Newsletter, your go-to source for our monthly activities and news. We're thrilled to have you on board! At the end of the newsletter, we have a small request from you, so please read it till the end. As always, we love hearing from you, so feel free to reach out with any questions or feedback. Enjoy the read!

WHAT'S IN THIS MONTH'S ISSUE?

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Snippets from Sessions with the PSEIs

RURAL PRE SCHOOL EDUCATOR INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

Team Neev had the opportunity to conduct a two-day capacity-building workshop for preschool education instructors placed at each block level in Vadodara District (Rural), held at the NSS office. The first day focused on **brain development** and various **developmental domains**. While many participants had a basic understanding of these topics, they found the session especially engaging due to the **interactive and practical methodology** used. On the second day, the training introduced the concept of the **four learning corners** and highlighted their significance in creating an effective learning environment. The importance of **Teaching Learning Materials (TLMs)** was also emphasized as a key component in early childhood education. Beyond the training content, the workshop provided a valuable opportunity for rapport building with the instructors. It concluded with a discussion on the way forward, setting clear expectations for their participation in future trainings within their respective blocks.

TEACHING LEARNING CIRCLES

Neev Shikshan Sanstha organizes monthly TLC (Teaching Learning Community) meetings to nurture a culture of collaborative learning among educators. This initiative promotes sustainability by empowering teachers to continue their professional development independently. A strong testament to this impact was seen when a school principal independently facilitated a TLC session. In the most recent meeting, a teacher took the initiative to lead a session on Letter Recognition, including a hands-on demo of the recognition steps. The session concluded with a reflective wrap-up, where teachers discussed the topics covered so far, celebrating their successes and acknowledging the challenges faced. This highlights NSS's success in building a self-sustaining, teacher-led model of continuous learning and growth.



Snippets from
the Teaching Learning Circle

TEACHER'S CAPACITY BUILDING_VADODARA RURAL

Team Neev, in collaboration with the ICDS Department of Rural Vadodara, has been given the opportunity to train Anganwadi teachers across all 11 blocks over the next three years. To kick off this initiative, Team Neev conducted a six-day intensive training with the Padra block, focusing on brain development and developmental domains. The sessions were initially facilitated by Team Neev, but the most encouraging part was seeing the PSEIs (Pre-School Education Instructors) from the block actively leading the sessions with support from the team. Their involvement reflected the core objective of NSS—building the capacity of existing ecosystem players to empower and train teachers effectively. Participation remained strong throughout all six days, making it a valuable learning experience and a promising start with the Padra block, marked by enthusiastic engagement and excellent support from the PSEIs.



Snippets from
teachers capacity
building



ENDLINE ASSESSMENTS OF BOTH PROJECTS

Team Neev has conducted endline assessments with Unnati students and children from Anganwadi model centers to evaluate the learning progress made over the academic period. These assessments are crucial not only for measuring student growth but also for understanding how effectively teachers have supported and guided their development. The assessments are carried out using a Student Comfort Tool, which combines paper-pencil tasks, oral responses, and activity-based exercises. This approach ensures that children are assessed in a comfortable and engaging manner, allowing them to express their learning freely. The endline process offers valuable insights into both student outcomes and teacher impact, helping shape future strategies for teaching and learning. Stay tune for results of the Assessment in next month's musing!!!



Snippets of Endline Assessment

NPSS REFRESHER TRAININGS

Team Neev had the opportunity to reconnect with Nagar Prathmik Shikshan Samiti to conduct a refresher training for **Balwadi teachers** on Early Numeracy and oral language development. It was great to engage with the teachers again through activities and discussions, refreshing key concepts. Over 70% of the teachers recalled the concepts from earlier trainings, and they also shared their experiences and challenges from the classroom. Along with revisiting previous topics, Team Neev introduced letter recognition method, providing a step-by-step demo and discussing its importance. The session saw active participation and was conducted in Zone 1 and Zone 2, with Zone 3 training scheduled for next month. It was a meaningful and productive session with enthusiastic teacher involvement.



Snippets of NPSS Refresher training

WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION

Team Neev celebrated Women's Day with joy, reflection, and a strong sense of togetherness. The celebration began with a heartfelt sharing session, where team members expressed why it is important to celebrate Women's Day and acknowledged the strength, resilience, and contributions of women in every sphere. The team also engaged in fun games that brought energy and laughter to the day. A special moment of the celebration was the appreciation card exchange, where each team member received a personalized message recognizing their unique strengths. The celebration concluded with a cake-cutting ceremony, marking not just the occasion, but also the spirit of support and appreciation that defines Team Neev.



Snippet from Women's Day celebration

HOLI CELEBRATION

Team Neev celebrated the vibrant festival of Holi with joy, laughter, and togetherness. Known as the festival of colors, Holi symbolizes the arrival of spring, the victory of good over evil, and the celebration of life, love, and new beginnings. At Neev, the celebration was more than just playing with colors—it was a moment to strengthen bonds and nurture the spirit of unity within the team. The team came together to enjoy a lively celebration filled with color play, dancing, and music, creating a joyful and energetic atmosphere. Such celebrations are an integral part of building a strong, connected team, where every member feels valued and included. Just like the colors of Holi, each team member adds their own unique shade to the work we do—making Team Neev brighter and stronger together.



Snippets of Holi celebration

TEAM RETREAT



Work harder, play harder! At Team Neev, we believe in celebrating not just our achievements, but the people and efforts behind them. Our recent team outing was the perfect way to honor the dedication and commitment shown throughout the year. It was a joyful mix of bonding, laughter, and shared memories—an opportunity to step away from daily routines and simply enjoy each other's company in a relaxed and fun setting.

The outing wasn't just a celebration of past accomplishments, but also a refreshing start to the new academic year, filled with energy and renewed motivation. From games and conversations to delicious food and lots of laughter, the day brought the team closer and strengthened the spirit of collaboration. After all, the most meaningful connections often happen beyond the workspace—and a picnic is where team bonding truly shines!

