



Completion Report

IND-CHR-SPA-P01, Northern India
Reporting Period: June to December 2016

Education for a future

Budget: \$9,270 – fully funded!

Update:

This project provides schooling for 98 children from pre-school through to fifth grade in a remote and mountainous part of northern India. Our partner is determined that children who live in such remote locations should have an equal opportunity to grow and train for a good life, and all are taught in English.

Our partner is currently seeking registration to extend the school up to eighth class, with paperwork in with the Government.



A Christmas celebration item

A Christmas celebration was held for the local community, with the village leader the honoured guest. The students enjoyed performing for their guests and showing off all they have been learning.

The school continues to grow in favour with the local community, as it demonstrates the quality of the education being provided and the love the teachers have for their students. As well as the school, our partner is now also running Children's Clubs in nearby villages for children who cannot attend the school, and literacy classes for adults who have never been to school.

This is a tough location, and people are suspicious of change. One man took his children from the school four years ago, but recently brought them (and his other children) back to the school, as he has now seen the alternative, and knows that his children will not receive such loving care and strong education elsewhere in the area.

As children pass from the school after fifth grade, they continue to shine at their new school. Khushi Gaur is one such student. She was a very poor student when she first attended SPARSH, but over the years her teachers developed her abilities, and she became one of their top performers. She now attends a higher school, and that school is so impressed with the quality of her previous education.

We are thrilled with the results of this project, and have signed up for another three years with this partner. Thank you for your part in providing a hope and a future for the students in this extremely remote location.