

CHALK AND CHANGE

THE E-NEWSLETTER OF DEVI SANSTHAN



LEADERSHIP CIRCLE 3 (6-7 MAY)

Over 1200 passionate changemakers from across India including government officials, CSR leaders, educationists, and nonprofit organizations gathered for two days in Lucknow for the third edition of Leadership Circle: Boost FLN, hosted by Dignity Education Vision International (DEVI Sansthan).

This high-impact event focused on accelerating progress toward the NIPUN Bharat Mission's Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) goals, well ahead of the 2026-27 deadline.

Participants engaged in inspiring keynote addresses, dynamic panel discussions, and live ALfA classroom demonstrations that showcased the power of innovative pedagogies in delivering rapid learning gains.



The event also featured hands-on training sessions led by master trainers, offering participants practical exposure to the ALfA methodology.

- **Presentations by Dr. Sunita Gandhi** on the urgent need for innovation in education
- **Training sessions on Hindi and Maths** using the 5 Pillars of ALfA
- **CSR and Government panels** sharing insights, success stories, and the way forward
- **Recognition of exceptional educators** and heartfelt celebrations of their impact.

Leadership Circle 3 stood as a shining example of **collaborative action** and **shared commitment** toward achieving **Foundational Learning for All**.

ALFA PEDAGOGY IMPLEMENTED IN SCHOOLS OF UTTAR PRADESH

We're excited to share that the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Sri Yogi Adityanath, recently had a glimpse of the ALfA (FLN) book by Devi Sansthan. An MOU is already in place signed with the Govt of UP to implement ALfA across all government schools in four districts—bringing us closer to ensuring quality foundational learning for every child, especially in underserved communities.



SBI FACTORS LIMITED PARTNERS WITH DEVI SANSTHAN TO ADVANCE ALFA FLN IN LUCKNOW

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to SBI Factors Limited for their impactful CSR partnership with Devi Sansthan in advancing the ALfA FLN (Accelerating Learning for All – Foundational Literacy and Numeracy) Program at Jawahar Nagar Government School, Lucknow. Through their generous support, students in government schools received FLN books, essential stationery, and learning kits. Smart classrooms were also created by installing LED projectors, significantly enhancing digital learning experiences for children. This collaboration reflected our shared commitment to building an inclusive, equitable, and future-ready education system. We are deeply thankful for this meaningful support in empowering foundational learning for every child.



D-TALKS (DISRUPTIVE TALKS)



ARUN ARORA- FOUNDER CHETAK FOUNDATION

We were honored to host Arun Arora, Founder of Chetak Foundation, in our D-Talks session, where he shared powerful insights on “Driving Foundational Literacy and Social Impact: The Role of CSR and Strategic Partnerships.” His inspiring talk highlighted how collaborative efforts between organizations and corporates can create lasting change in education and beyond.



PREETI M SHAH- SECRETARY BALA FOUNDATION

Ms. Preeti was on our D-Talks where she talked on the topic ‘Disparity in Educational Opportunities, Lifelong Learning and Sustainable Development’ with great examples and engaging talks, she kept all the audiences on hook.



GARIMA DUTT- CEO YES FOUNDATION

Ms. Garima Dutt was invited as our guest to give her insightful opinions on the topic ‘The role of basic literacy and numeracy as essential foundations for financial education, sustainability, and skill development, and how collaboration drives scalable, long-term community impact.’

WANT TO BE FEATURED ON D-TALKS?

Are you an educator, innovator, or changemaker with a story to tell or insights to share about transforming education?

We'd love to hear from you!

Reach out to us at info@dignityeducation.org to be considered for an upcoming episode of D-Talks, our podcast series spotlighting voices shaping the future of learning.

Let's spark the change—one conversation at a time.

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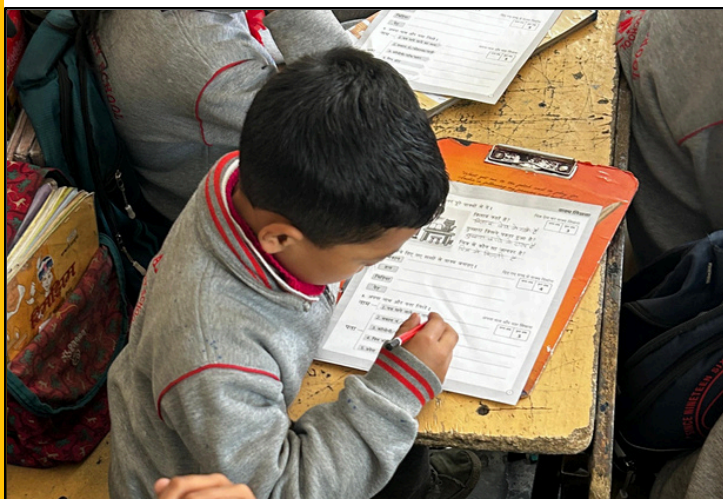


Read the full article here:

<https://brainfeedmagazine.com/accelerated-learning-for-lifelong-success-dr-sunita-gandhi-on-strengthening-foundational-education/>

BASELINE ASSESSMENT IN SHIMLA

A comprehensive baseline assessment was carried out in government schools across Shimla to gauge the current learning levels of students. This evaluation aims to identify existing learning gaps and gather critical data that will inform the planning and implementation of targeted interventions to improve foundational literacy and numeracy outcomes.



DR. SUNITA GANDHI FEATURED IN BRAINFEEED MAGAZINE

Dr. Sunita Gandhi, Founder of DEVI Sansthan, Lucknow, shares her insights on how Accelerated Learning Programs can revolutionize foundational education in India in the latest issue of Brainfeed Magazine!

Her article, “Accelerated Learning for Lifelong Success: Dr. Sunita Gandhi on Strengthening Foundational Education”, explores how we can empower every child to thrive in their learning journey—developing literacy, numeracy, and critical life skills that open doors to lifelong success. This feature marks a significant step in bringing the transformative potential of accelerated learning to the forefront of India’s educational discourse



ONLINE ALFA TRAINING

A five-day online training on the ALfA pedagogy was held from 13–17 May 2025 for teachers in Himachal Pradesh. The training focused on fast, interactive, and practical methods for teaching literacy and numeracy. It saw creative participation, especially in using local materials. Over 300 teachers completed the post-training quiz, with most scoring above 75%. The program is expanding across more blocks in Solan and Shimla.

WANT TO CREATE REAL CHANGE IN EDUCATION?

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO TURN PASSION INTO PURPOSE!

DR. JAGDISH GANDHI YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

INTRODUCING THE DR. JAGDISH GANDHI FELLOWSHIP BY DEVI SANSTHAN - A 6-MONTH IMMERSIVE JOURNEY DESIGNED FOR YOUNG CHANGEMAKERS (AGES 20-28) READY TO MAKE A LASTING IMPACT IN THE SOCIAL AND EDUCATION SECTOR.



WHO CAN APPLY?

- ✓ GRADUATES WITH A DRIVE FOR SOCIAL CHANGE
- ✓ PASSIONATE ABOUT EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
- ✓ READY FOR A FULL-TIME, PURPOSE-DRIVEN ADVENTURE
- ✓ FLUENT IN ENGLISH AND/OR A REGIONAL LANGUAGE

APPLY BEFORE:

15th June 2025

WE ARE EXCITED TO INVITE STUDENTS TO APPLY FOR INTERNSHIPS!

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DIFFERENCE IN EDUCATION, WE ENCOURAGE
YOU TO EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES WITH US.

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