

# ANNUAL REPORT 2019-20 GYANALOK TRUST

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### FROM THE CHAIRMAN

This is my pleasure to present this annual report to you. The financial year (2019-20) is significant in term of some of our continuation programmatic breakthrough. Gyanalok continued its education awareness and academic support programms since the year 2014. In addition, Gyanalok has done different activities like; competition & prize distribution among the outstanding students, and felicitation to the teachers and individuals contributing in the field of education.

Warm Regards,

Dr. Pradeep Kumar Sahoo Chairman, Gyanalok Trust

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### About GYANALOK

Gyanalok aims to empower people through knowledge. We believe that many of the persisting social and economic problems of the nation can be addressed through proper dissemination of information and education to the people at grass root level. Therefore, we seek to build capacity of the people in remote villages of the country by disseminating the useful information on the education opportunities, health care, importance of proper sanitation, government schemes for poor people etc. Education can be a panacea for many social ills. We want to facilitate education for the merit-cum-needy students by supporting the expenditure of their education. We wish to reinstate the faith that government funded schools can provide quality education to masses with the constructive community participation. While realizing the merits of modern education we also recognize the value of traditional knowledge on diverse aspects. We want to preserve the traditional knowledge on health care, biodiversity conservation, organic agricultural practice and so on. We believe that the social progress can be achieved only through the rise of masses from the bottom.

### Vision

GYANALOK envisages all round development of society, along with equality and justice through proper education, health, pristine environment and social inclusion.

### **Mission**

GYANALOK has the Mission to educate, sensitize, organize, enable and empower people and work for achievement of sustainable development goals for the development of all by dealing with the issues of poor, needy, backward, marginalized section of the society

### YEAR IN REVIEW

### 1. Education Awareness:

Education serves as the foundation for personal growth and societal progress. Recognizing its importance, Gyanalok launched an Education Awareness Program in Patita Paban Bani Mandir, Gambharimunda, and Karadapalla Primary School for the academic year 2019-20. The primary objective of this initiative was to emphasize the crucial role of education in career development among school-going children and their parents.

Key stakeholders, including **students and parents**, were actively engaged and provided with **valuable information and guidance** on overcoming challenges in education. Special focus was placed on **remedial measures** to address learning difficulties, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to excel.

To make the sessions engaging and impactful, the program featured **storytelling**, **motivational talks**, and **success story presentations** by



expert educators. These activities inspired students and helped them understand the transformative power of education.

A significant component of the initiative was the **re-enrollment of drop-out students** into formal schooling. Gyanalok conducted **regular counseling sessions**, **motivational discussions**, **and awareness programs** to inform students and parents about various government educational provisions. By bridging knowledge gaps and offering consistent support, Gyanalok played a pivotal role in ensuring that children from underserved communities have access to quality education.

### 2. Academic Competitions:

Competitions serve as a driving force for students to unlock their potential, develop critical skills, and build confidence. In 2019-20, Gyanalok organized a series of academic competitions under the theme "Jigyansa" at Patita Paban Bani Mandir, Gambharimunda School, Khorda district.

The competition featured four key categories:

- Essay Writing
- Debate
- Quiz
- Drawing

A total of **69 students** enthusiastically participated, showcasing their talents and intellectual abilities. To recognize their efforts and achievements, **12 outstanding students** were awarded **trophies, books, geometric boxes, dictionaries, and word books**, along with certificates of excellence.

By providing a platform for students to explore their creativity and sharpen their skills, Gyanalok successfully instilled a sense of healthy competition, self-motivation, and perseverance



among young learners. This initiative fostered a spirit of academic enthusiasm and lifelong learning, encouraging students to strive for excellence in their educational pursuits.

### 3. Felicitation:

Acknowledging the invaluable contributions of individuals in the field of education is an integral part of Gyanalok's mission. Each year, we recognize **dedicated personalities** who have made a remarkable impact on **student development and educational outreach**.

In 2019-20, Gyanalok honored four distinguished individuals for their exceptional contributions to education and unwavering support for child development. These individuals have played a crucial role in creating transformative learning experiences, inspiring both students and educators alike.

This felicitation program serves as a heartfelt tribute to **mentors**, **educators**, **and community leaders** who dedicate themselves to nurturing the next generation. Their contributions continue to inspire a culture of **learning**, **innovation**, **and educational empowerment**.

### 4. Monetary Support for Higher Education:

Education should be a right, not a privilege restricted by financial limitations. As part of its

commitment to equal learning opportunities, Gyanalok extends financial assistance to meritorious yet underprivileged students who aspire to pursue higher education.

In the academic year 2019-20, Gyanalok provided monetary support to six students from socially and economically disadvantaged backgrounds in the remote interiors of Banpur block, Khorda district. These students, despite financial hardships, displayed immense dedication and a strong desire to continue their academic journey.



By **bridging financial barriers**, Gyanalok ensured that these deserving students receive the necessary resources to achieve their educational aspirations. This initiative not only provides **immediate financial relief** but also fosters long-term societal progress by **empowering young minds to break the cycle of poverty through education**.

# **Photo Gallery**





**Students Felicitation Programme** 





Education awareness at Banapur, Khrodha





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