

## Bharti Foundation expands Satya Bharti Quality Support Program in Assam

- Extends support to 15 Government Schools in District Kamrup (Rural), under Satya Bharti Quality Support Program, to enhance the overall schooling experience for more than 5,500 students
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  Government Schools in District Biswanath, Majuli and Jorhat, benefitting more than 3,500
  students and 124 teachers
- At national level, the Program has impacted over 2, 50,000 students and more than 9,000 teachers across 14 states.

**Guwahati, Aug 03, 2019:** Bharti Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Bharti Enterprises, today announced the expansion of Satya Bharti Quality Support Program in 15 Government Schools in District Kamrup Rural, Assam. As the part of the MoU, Bharti Foundation will support Government initiatives to enhance the overall schooling experience of more than 5,500 students in the identified government schools.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Apurba Thakuria, District Elementary Education Officer cum DMC Kamrup (R) said, "Quality education is a critical enabler for children to develop their potential. We appreciate Bharti Foundation's support in helping the students and teachers to realize their aspirations".

Bharti Foundation's Satya Bharti Quality Support Program is already operational in 45 Government schools in Districts of Biswanath, Maiuli and Jorhat and working with school leadership to deliver the benefits of quality education to more than 3,500 students and 124 teachers. Under this education program, the Foundation engages with the school leadership, teachers, students as well as parents and communities and supports them to enhance the overall schooling experience through co-scholastic activities defined under the program framework.

Mamta Saikia, CEO, Bharti Foundation mentioned, "We express our gratitude to the government officials and educationists in Assam for extending their cooperation and confidence in us. The extension of our partnership in Assam is a testimony to our combined belief in the holistic development approach for students which is exemplified in Satya Bharti Quality Support Program. We look forward to working with a very supportive team."

Bharti Foundation has implemented the Satya Bharti Quality Support Program in over 750 Government schools directly impacting over 2, 50,000 students and more than 9000 teachers across 14 states of India.



## **About Bharti Foundation**

Bharti Foundation was set up in the year 2000 as the philanthropic arm of Bharti Enterprises. It implements and supports programs in the fields of primary, secondary and higher education as well as sanitation. Through its flagship initiative the 'Satya Bharti School Program', the Foundation provides free quality education to thousands of underprivileged children with a special focus on the girl child. We currently run 191 Primary/Elementary schools and 5 Senior Secondary Schools across six states. In addition to providing holistic education, these schools provide uniforms, text books and stationery as well as mid-day meals to all its students, free of cost. 50% of students in Satya Bharti Schools are girls and we have a special program to encourage, enroll and ensure that girls continue their education to achieve their potential. The Foundation also works in partnership with respective state governments towards improving the quality of over-all schooling experience for students in Government Schools through the Satya Bharti Quality Support Program. Bharti Foundation is currently supporting government schools in 14 states and has a reach of more than 2.5 lakh students (50% girls) under the Program. Our sanitation initiative, 'Satya Bharti Abhiyan', was launched in 2014 in rural Ludhiana District of Punjab. The Abhiyan spread its footprint to urban Ludhiana in October 2016 and to rural Amritsar in September 2017. The Program has been benefitting over one lakh people in Ludhiana and Amritsar through 23,000 individual household toilets. In addition, the Program has provided 14 girls' toilets in Government schools in rural Ludhiana and 37 ladies' toilets for Ludhiana Police Commissionerate, for women officers and visitors at police stations.