

The Influence of Extra-Curricular Activities on School Absenteeism:

Pon Shreenath [TKI 00032IT] an instance of regular absent boy in one of LDS intervention school triumphing in Sports Meet with the backbone of Extra-Curricular Activities.



Master. Pon Shreenath, [TKI 00032IT] 15 years old boy is a one of the LDS intervention student since 2011 [from his 1st std.] in TDTA Primary School, C. Samathanapuram [Reddiyapuram] of Cheranmahadevi Block. Now, he is completed his V std. and he is an average student and disinterested to study the English subject. In the middle of his V std. academic year [October – December 2015] he was irregularly attended the class and even didn't attend the afternoon class since he fed up to attend the afternoon class and also unhappy to attend the English period.

His father is an agricultural collie and mother is a beedi worker and she has one sister and she is studying 6th std. Due to their nature of work the parents did not know his son's frequent absent in class.

Usually, the class teacher has gone to his house and took him to school.

NJT has been implementing the extra-curricular activities in January 2016 and for carrying out these activities sports and arts teachers are appointed and they visited the concerned LDS intervention school and trained the kids once in a week.

Pon Shreenath, came to know that the arrival sports teacher in his school and trained in sports. Meanwhile he has very fascinated in sports and hence he decided to go the class in regular. After that the class teacher was very pleased and shared the NJT Sports Teacher that "the extracurricular activities prevent Pon Shreenath's frequent absent in school and also very useful for average students to divert their attention in sports."



During the first school visit the Sports Teacher observed Pon Shreenath prominence in school and hence the sports teacher has showed special care to him and trained athletics, Ring Ball, Basic Exercises and Co-Co. In the meantime the panchayat has organized the sports event

for children during the second week of March 2016, with the help of sports teacher Pon Shreenath has participated in the sports meet and trained. Finally, he got first prize in 100 meter running race, 200 meter running race, ring ball, Co-Co and Disc Throw.

In addition to this he also got the first prize [Co-Co, 100 meter running race, Lemon with Spoon, Filling water in the Bottle] in the annual sports meet conducted by NJT and WeWorld in March 2016.

Pon Shreenath told that “Earlier I felt very tough to learn in English and also bored to attend the class in the afternoon period and hence I irregularly attended the class; Now, the sports teacher came to our school in the afternoon period and I felt very happy and came to the school in the afternoon to play with my friends. With the support and guidance of sports teacher I participated in the village level sports meet organized by Panchayat and Annual Sports Meet I got the prizes and also came to the school in consistent; In the next academic year wherever school I shall join the 6th std. I should definitely involve in sports activities and continue the study”.





