

MANOVIKAS SPECIAL SCHOOL, BETNA, BARIPADA.
REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2021-22

No one would have guessed that a virus like Covid-19 would come and without differentiating, it will alter the lifestyle of people. Due to Covid-19, many changes came to our world and it took some time for everyone to adopt the new normal. The Covid-19 impact was everywhere, which resulted in the closure of schools and other educational institutions.

As per the order of Government authorities (due the pandemic Covid-19) there was no academic session for the special students during this year 2021-22 but the end of the year Government authorities order to reopen school in the month of 28 Feb 2022.

When the severity of the pandemic has reduced, the teachers were coming to prepare lessons plans and teaching aids to help the children through online classes, strictly following measures.

We formed a whatsapp group including some children and their parents' to start with online classes. But it was not very effective, because most of the parents are illiterate, poor and busy for their daily work. There are lots of students and parents did not own the resources to attend the classes.

We were contacting the children and their parents through phone and from them we came to know that the routines the children had suddenly came to a stop when the spread of corona virus began. The parents now had to find out how they were supposed to manage everything on their own along with their own work. It was very tough time for them. They had to go through the adjustments of being restricted to their homes, and not being able to freely do the things they used to.

HOME VISIT

By understanding the situation, we decided to visit the families adopting safety measures to support the children and parents. We made the staff into small groups and visited all the families .It was indeed a great initiative and our visits and support gave a lot of positive energy, psychological support to the children and parents. The chance was made use to give awareness classes for the parents and relatives to stay safe by using mask, social distancing, sanitizing etc.



ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

In this academic year Manovikas special school had 60 mentally retarded students and 30 deaf and dumb altogether 90 students in the hostel. Deaf and dumb students attend classes at Laxmiposi Special School, it is 13 km away from Manovikas special school. Mentally retarded students at Manovikas special school are given special classes and training for reading and writing, speech therapy, physio therapy, yoga, occupation therapy, Computer etc.



VOCATIONAL TRAINING

The school gives importance for vocational trainings. This provides opportunity for them to learn various things. They were given training to make mat, flowers, cards, cutting and stitching, earring making, phenyl, interior decorative articles, Children are interested to make it and we are happy to notice that many of them learning all this things.



YOGA

School is giving Yoga for the children getting her physical improvement.



CULTURAL EVENTS

In this year school celebrated Independence Day, Republic day & Teachers day.



Extra Curricular activity:-

We gave importance to develop the extra talents of the children. Regular practice and Interest makes the children to develop their skills. There practices enable the children to have better concentration and to grow in self confidence and courage. We teach them keyboard,

dance and music. Teachers are rendering their dedicated service to bring up this skills and talents of the children.



Sports & Games:-

School provides them opportunities to come up with their extracurricular activities. We conduct twice in a year sports and games in our school. On children's day we encourage them by distributing prizes.

A word of gratitude:-

One of the crucial factors of any successful school is the staff. The Manovikas team under the able stewardship of Principal Sr.Beena jointly striven for the betterment of the children. We are also indebted to the management for providing all the timely support and financial aid for the welfare of the children and the institution. I extend my gratitude to SSEPD, Bhubaneswar, DSSO Mayurbhanj for their wholehearted support for the integral development of the special children.

Sr.Beena Varkey
Principal, Manovikas Special School.