



Tura SMS Community, EDU VARTA Inauguration Report

SMS Community & EduVarta project is inaugurated in Tura Internet and Services Centre in a three days programme. The programme was from 21st February to 23rd February 2012. Mr. Ravi Ghatе, National Youth Awardee as a resource person participated and introduced these two projects to Tura community. The programme was scheduled in three days. On first and third day along with TISC team Mr. Ravi Ghatе visited educational institution in Tura. On the second day workshop cum training programme was organised in Tura Internet and Services Centre.



On 21st February 2012, around 2pm, along with TISC team Mr. Ghatе visited Govt. College and Durama College of Tura to introduce EDU VARTA project. Teachers and student of both institutions welcomed the TISC group with red carpet. In front of large number of student and teacher Mr. Ravi Ghatе and TISC team introduced the project. Resource person Mr. Ravi Ghatе and Mr. Harun Ahmed, Coordinator TISC explained in detail about the project. After listening details student showed interest and tested online service. In the

feedback session they shared that the project will help them a lot in their career.



On second day workshop cum training programme was organised for the participants in Tura Internet and Services Centre. Total eighteen participants from different community, organization, groups participated on programme. The programme was scheduled from 10 AM -4PM. As a local Resource person Ms. Smera A. Sangma, Executive Director P.A. Sangma Foundation also delivered a lecture and emphasised the importance of these two projects.



After the registration process Mr. Ghate explained detail about the project. In his lecture he explained how community can be connected by this project. He also emphasised how unemployed youth can earn handsome money by this project. By this project community people can get a lot of benefit. According to Mr.Ghate this communication process is more effective in such a remote area where newspaper and electronic media is not available. In front of the trainees Mr. Ghate explained the detail process of controlling as well as maintaining of the project. During the workshop he also demonstrated the project and also cited various example of different person how they are maintaining the project.



At the end of second day training trainees gave their feedback. In their feedback they told that this type of programme is first time in Tura. According to them this type of project is necessary for Tura Community to meet the existing challenges. Every participant assured that they will start collecting mobile numbers and will form SMS Community as soon as possible.



At the end of the programme Mr. Harun Ahmed, Coordinator TISC gave vote of thanks. In his vote of thanks he mentioned that it's not possible to bring change within a single day but collectively we can do and we should try. He also said that our strategy should be holistic. At last he also assured to follow up the trainees. In this way second day training cum workshop programme was completed.



Third day schedule was to visit four educational Institution of Tura and to introduce EDUVARTA project. As per schedule On 23rd February along with TISC team Mr. Ravi Ghate visited P.A.Sangma Foundation College and North eastern Hill University (NEHU) Tura Campus. In both the institution student as well as teaching staff welcome with red carpet. In PASF College with 300 (Aprox) student Mr Ghate along with TISC team exchanged view and introduced EDU VARTA project. In front of the student Mr. Ghate demonstrated the project. He also explained the benefit of the project. The project aims to guide the student in all their career related queries. Student only needs to send their queries through SMS and they will get the guidance from expert. The whole service is in free of cost. In this way EDU VARTA project was introduced in PASF College and North eastern Hill University (NEHU).



In NEHU campus the discussion was organized in MBA Department. 200 students from different department were present during the discussion. Mr. Ghate introduced the project in a very interesting way. He explained about the project in detail. After his lecture questionnaire was also there. Different student asked different question about the project. From teaching staff Head of the MBA Dept. Dr. J.U.Ahmed, Prof. G. Singhaiah and other faculty member were also present.



In this way both SMS Community and EDU VARTA project was introduced to Tura community through Tura Internet & Services Centre.



