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Editorial...

The country has travelled a long journey after attaining Independence and along this journey; it has witnessed many historical as well as other developments all across the strata of various societies. The field of education has, however, given each society small or large, influential or marginal, rich or poor an aura of self-respect and dignity. The sections of the population who have yet to taste the fruits of education or are learning to taste the virtues of educations are gradually realizing the importance of education.

The identity education has given to each society is immense and noteworthy. However, teaching through mother tongue is yet to be realized fully. The feeling of confidence and sense of command through mother tongue education are other aspects which are extensively deliberated in different forums. The mother tongue education though enshrined in the Constitution of India is still not implemented in true letter and spirit. Every time mother tongue education is thought of or is being advocated, such proposal is countered by terming the move as a means to put pupil in the backward position. The instances of other countries in the world are in plenty who demonstrated that imparting education through the mother tongue has far-reaching benefits. It enhances the confidence and ease of learning as students relate learning from their day to day experience and expressions.

Tribal students in particular, however, are being deprived from being taught in their mother tongue. There is a lack of firm policy guidelines from the government of the States where tribals are in large numbers. There has been school of thoughts that tribal students

should be taught in the regional language mode in order to bring them under mainstream education process. It is gradually seen that people whose mother tongue is the regional language also are slowly drifting away from their mother tongue education mode. In order to fill the gap of regional language from not facing the danger of extinction or endangered, tribal children are being used for the purpose. In one side people are drifting away from their mother tongue and in other side they are not being allowed to pursue their mother tongue through neglect or forceful manipulation is a point of great concern. This is a long overdue issue which needs to be settled or at least appropriate measures to be taken immediately. But situation is somewhat not conducive for both the regional as well as native language. The lip service is taking the centre stage and actual ground work is not being contemplated.

The education policy has been a top to bottom approach. The top that is the facility is being created at University level. But many social cognoscenti are of the view that this should have been from bottom towards top approach. Pupil should be trained at the primary levels and slowly should be upgraded upwards. But that kind of approach is not being pursued.

Out of many tribal languages in India, only two languages have been accorded official recognition by inclusion of the same in the 8th Schedule to the Constitution of India. Others are allowed to face the unfortunate fate of being gradually extinct from the languages map of India. This trend of forcing the languages due to neglect or otherwise to lose its sheen needs to be controlled and addressed properly. People are gradually realizing the importance

of mother tongue and its usages and importance. They started realizing that with the extinction of a language, a culture is being lost from India and the world. It is felt worldwide and linguists and sociologists insist that necessary immediate corrective actions are need of the day to save many languages from being lost from the languages map. The options and possibilities are many. Only desires of the concerned people become bedrock for establishing the sound foundation of any language. There has to be a desire from the

members of that particular community, then only a language can be saved. But instances are there for some communities who have become so weak socially and economically that they are not able to pursue or continue to pursue their language. In such a situation government should come out with a strong policy framework so that many languages can be saved and therefore the multiple cultural virtues and value systems.

BHANJ VEER GOMKE SUNARAM SOREN CENTENARY CELEBRATION 2017-18

As the date for Sunaram Soren Centenary Celebration (4.2.2018) is approaching fast, the information on possible events to be taken up along with cost estimates and envisaged sponsors are given below for kind information of all discerning citizen who are keen to see the event happens with right scale and depth. Always, to undertake such events, it requires involvement of a large section of people who willingly come forward to shoulder the responsibilities.

Sl. No.	Event/Item	Estimated Cost in Rs. Lakh	Sponsors envisaged / Remarks
1.	Installation of life size statue District Administration has already sought report from the NESCO and Executive Officer on the status of the location.	8.00	This is being funded from the individual sponsorship.
2.	School and College level Essay Competition 1. Santali (Ol Chiki), Odia and English 2. Total prizes 18 (First, Second and Third) + 12 Consolation Prizes (both Schools and Colleges) 3. First Prize 6 Nos.: 30K, Second 6 Nos: 18K, Third 6 Nos.: 12K, Consolation 12 Nos.: 12K 4. Certificates and other items 28K	1.00	1. Individual or more than one sponsor to be identified. 2. In case, of no support, items/events have to be deleted.
3.	Felicitation to some dignitaries, Our Eminent international players, Some notable social workers, Some important	1.00	1. Individual or more than one sponsor to be identified. 2. In case, of no support, items/events have to be deleted.

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	individuals who have helped All India ASECA during its journey etc. 2. Shawl, Memento, Certificates, May be some monetary support for their travel etc.		
4.	Enej Serenj Party and their fooding During consultation it was advised to make arrangements (travel and fooding for atleast 20 parties for making the environment lively and noticeable.	1.00	1. Individual or more than one sponsor to be identified. 2. In case, of no support, items/events have to be deleted.
5.	Mass Contact Programme 1. Hiring of a vehicle for 90 days x 1500 per day: Rs. 1.35 lakh 2. Fooding etc for the volunteers Rs. 0.65 lakh	2.00	1. Individual or more than one sponsor to be identified. 2. In case, of no support, items/events have to be deleted.
6.	Stage and other Arrangements (Tents, mike and light for 2 days)	1.00	1. Individual or more than one sponsor to be identified. 2. In case, of no support, items/events have to be deleted.
7.	Banner, Badges, Stationeries 1. To cover 26 blocks, at least 52 nos. 20 ftx20ft banners would be required. 2. Each will cost at least Rs. 2 thousand.	1.00	1. Individual or more than one sponsor to be identified. 2. In case of no support, items/events have to be deleted.
8.	Cultural Programme	1.00	1. Individual or more than one sponsor to be identified. 2. In case of no support, items/events have to be deleted.
9.	Miscellaneous	1.00	1. Individual or more than one sponsor to be

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10.	Souvenir Publication	1.00	1. Individual or more than one sponsor to be identified. 2. In case, we also have exhausted our capacity, then some items/events have to be deleted.
	Total	18.00	

It is expected that around Rs. 2.00 lakh can be mobilized from general public. Sponsors will be given due recognition by displaying their names during the event. Efforts are being taken to seek advertisement in the Souvenir, but it is not known how far we will succeed.

We must find some more Sponsors from our own relations and should take some initiatives. Sometimes it appears to be feasible and at the same time cautious approach is required. Anyway, it is sincerely and humbly requested your feedback and large hearted contribution. If we get around 500 people willing to contribute Rs. 2000 each, it will be a smooth sailing. Let's hope for the best. **Sponsoring the event is an opportunity that comes rarely in a lifetime. We are earning a lot and donating for this should be considered as a blessing and not as a burden.**

The details of account number is given below:

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Requests have been made covering a large section of people whose contacts details are available. All are requested to use their influence and relations in this effort to extend a helping hand to realize a noble cause. The history we create becomes a milestone for the generation next. Some example need to be set and glorified. This becomes a test for everybody to prove that we care for the society and we are ready and eager to share the responsibility for our collective endeavor.

Positivity always pays dividend and this appeal is being circulated with a sense of belongingness and positivity.

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