

July-Sept 2020 was academically an important period for our children. And it is with pride that we announce that all our children triumphed in their academic endeavours and passed all their exams with flying colours.



Important Updates

- Pathways Program- Helping Children fulfil their dream of higher education.
- Outstanding performance of students in 10th and 12th Boards.
- The Virtual Dilemma.

Pathways Program



We at Hi 5 believe that “Education is the premise of progress” and we always strive to support our children in completing their higher education. Our “pathways program” has been designed in such a way that not only did it help our children continue their higher education beyond school but also redefine and aspire for themselves beyond basketball. This year we have a total of 44 children under Hi 5’s umbrella who will be graduating 10th grade (and are currently awaiting their board results) both; from city municipal schools and tribal schools in Vajreshwari. For Junior college, the tribal children will be moved to a residential facility in Panvel. For the children in the city, we are pursuing admissions in a nearby junior college so that they can continue to play basketball along-with their higher education.

Also, our 17 children from the Tribal areas who appeared for their 12th grade exams now wish to pursue their Bachelor Degrees. We are exhilarated to see how our program has motivated and given these children the confidence to enrol for higher education. We are proud to announce that they will be the first generation of students who will be pursuing a bachelor's degrees from their entire tribal hamlet.



An Outstanding Performance at the Boards

The month of August brought a big smile on so many faces. In early August' 2020, Maharashtra State Board's results were declared. From the 10th grade, a total of 44 students, including the tribal children from Vajreshwari, aced the exams. 2 of our students became school toppers of their respective schools. Also, 16 of our tribal students secured admission into CKT college, in Panvel. We are extremely thrilled and proud of their achievement. Our children have successfully proved that, "if you work hard you can balance and excel in both sports and academics". At Hi 5, our teacher's and college placement advisors ensure that children receive a proper guidance, in every phase, so that they can pursue all their passions both on and off the court. We congratulate all our children who did extremely well in their exams and graduated with flying colours.



The Virtual Shift- A Dilemma for the Hamlets.



The month of September, marked the onset of the admission process for colleges. It was a crucial period for our children. Our Pathways team at Hi 5 Foundation worked around the clock to help complete the process for 50 tribal children. From uploading documents to payment of fees, everything was done without any glitch and finally our students got settled for the 1st year of their graduation program. But there was a big hurdle that was still left to be crossed- The Virtual Classes. As an immediate measure, to curb the spread of COVID-19, most educational institutes were shut down and the entire curriculum was decided to be covered through digital platforms. However, the absence of physical classrooms and proper digital infrastructure posed a serious challenge for both teachers and students. Unfortunately, there are millions of youths in our country who are in a similar situation. But, the Hi 5 Youth Foundation's founders and the pathways team decided to help the children provide a conducive environment for their studies. We leased an apartment in Jawhar, in Palghar, Maharashtra and transformed it into a tutoring centre equipped with high-speed connectivity. We also ensure that all COVID-19 related protocols like use of masks and sanitizers are strictly followed and that there are a limited number of students in the classroom, at a given time.

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