

# *Report on Special Lecture on “Problem and solutions of Fundamental Education in India” (25<sup>th</sup> February, 2019)*

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There is no doubt that the overall education system of a country, from early childhood education until upper secondary, influences the selection, the knowledge and the attitudes of individuals who effectively enter higher education. A country with low levels of secondary or even primary completion will have a considerably reduced group of students for higher education. Without the qualitative primary education the university system will not be able to pick the most able students. So education at the fundamental base with proper care is utmost necessary. Considering the importance of fundamental education on higher education Mathanga college organized a special Lecture on **“Problem and solutions of Fundamental Education in India”** on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 at 1.30 p.m. Sri Sajal Ghosh, Senior Associate, Annual Status of Education Report, West Bengal was the main speaker of that program. Dr. Shyam Kr. Jha. Teacher-in-Charge of the college, gave an inaugural speech on that occasion. He said that though there are many problems in the Indian education scenario the situation is improving and there is a gradual shift from traditional classroom learning. According to him focus should be given in such a way that students will be coming out from our institutions with socially, politically and morally sound. Institutions are not just a platform of providing degrees. Overall performance of Indian citizens depends on the quality of education that they had at their primary, secondary and University education system. Each and every stage of education is interrelated with each other. So according to him from the upper platform we should have a look on to the lower platform (primary education).

Sri Sajal Ghosh in his lecture said that we all believe that the future of any country lies on how well developed is the education system of that country. Hereby, according to the statistics of the education system in our country, there are approximately 500 million people who are below the poverty line and hardly have access to education. There are so many mind sets that pose a hindrance to the Indian Education System. Hence, pursuing a professional degree isn't that important, but primary education is a basic necessity for the society. In his presentation he showed overall situation of fundamental education in our country. He elaborated statistical data collected from field survey by means of slide show. As a solution of the problem the speaker said that health education requires attention and improvement. Yoga and other workout programs should be included in our education system to help in inculcating good values and a healthy mind in the students. Public sanitation system should be improved and more awareness campaigns should be enforced.

Students of our college got an overview of the situation from his presentation. At the end we can say that teachers and students get enriched by this special lecture on “Problem and solutions of Fundamental Education in India”. The program came to close with vote of thanks.

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