

ACTIVITY REPORT 2017-2018

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BIT SINDRI LAPTOP PROJECT – Activity Report

BIT Sindri Laptop Project is designed to develop self-confidence and self-reliance among students at BIT Sindri. It aims to enable the modernization of study and approach of student to keep updated to the latest technology. Contributions from the Alumni and others, reach the students of BIT Sindri as financial assistance via Anant Prayas.

This report aims to increase transparency and trust in the functioning of Anant Prayas.



Actual photo of the students from BIT with Anant Prayas Volunteers and Donors

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In words from the beneficiary’s parents

“thank you for supporting my son. This pious initiative of ANANT PRAYAAS is
really a boon,
a great help to the poor meritorious students.

It has also given us
the courage to firmly think ahead
for the further education of my child.
You have proved the fact that God is there to
help the needy”

BIT Sindri Laptop Project – Executive Summary

The project, which has laptop distribution projects in waves, first wave, was in Q1 2017 (1 laptop), second in Q2 2017 (2 laptops), 3rd in Dec.2017 (3 laptops), fourth in July 2018 (4 laptops) and fifth in Nov 2018 (5 laptops). The project aims to produce technologically advanced students with adequate resources at hand in BIT Sindri, at par with top colleges in India. This project is the flagship project of the Anant Prayas and would enable the trust to expand its operations in coming days.

For your suggestions to improve the project join us by registering yourself at www.anantprayas.org or write to aaloka@anantprayas.org

You can also keep in touch on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/anantprayas/>

First project inception and response

This first project in the BIT Sindri Laptop Project, was announced on 21st November 2016 to invite students of BIT Sindri to make an application for receiving financing from Anant Prayas.

In just 4 days, by 25th November 33 applications were received. Third year students were encouraged to apply as the first round of financing was planned to be for the third year students. Second year students also applied with enthusiasm and the applications were accepted to understand the appetite for financing among the second year students.

Subsequent rounds of financing

With the success of response from alumni and students of BIT Sindri, 5 rounds has been completed with distributing in total 15 laptops to students in 2 years of Inception of Anant Prayas.

Student Selection

Students are selected based on their application for joining this initiative via online form in digital format. The applications are initially screened for the four published criteria of selection namely – Merit, Income of Parents, Branch of Study, year of study and computer aptitude. After screening of applications, interview is conducted for top students to finalize the list.

Interview of the selected students is carried out by the Prof. in BIT Sindri, who has been designated by the Director of BIT Sindri. The interview leads to a final selection of students.

Laptop handover

After the final selection, students are invited to Ranchi, to select the laptop of their choice in the shop itself. Based on the student's selection of laptop, amount is paid by Anant Prayas directly to the laptop shop via cheque. Laptops are handed over to students in a small gathering with alumni in Anant Prayas office or in a public place.

For next round of financing, we would like to reach more and more students and alumni and keep our operations costs to near zero. Please let us know if your Alumni Chapter or any other organization/event is interested to host us for more information or a presentation.

Dates for each round completed

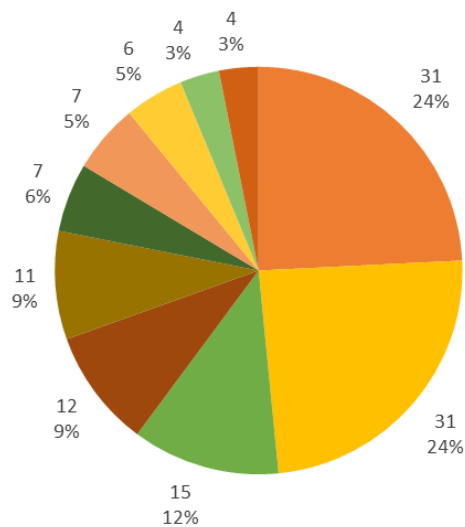
Round name	Start date	Application close date	Final selection	Laptop handover	Laptops donated
Round 1 - Q1 2017	Nov 21, 2016	Nov. 27, 2016	January 20, 2017	February 25, 2017	1
Round 2 - Q2 2017	Mar 28, 2017	May 15, 2017	June 30, 2017	July 20, 2017	2
Round 3 - H2 2017	Oct 12, 2017	Nov. 15 2017	Dec8, 2017	Dec. 10, 2017	3
Round 4 - H1 2018	April 23, 2018	May 20, 2018	June 5, 2018	July 28, 2018	4
Round 5 - H2 2018	Sept 16, 2018	Oct 20, 2018	Nov 5, 2018	Nov 8, 2018	5

Vital Statistics from applications

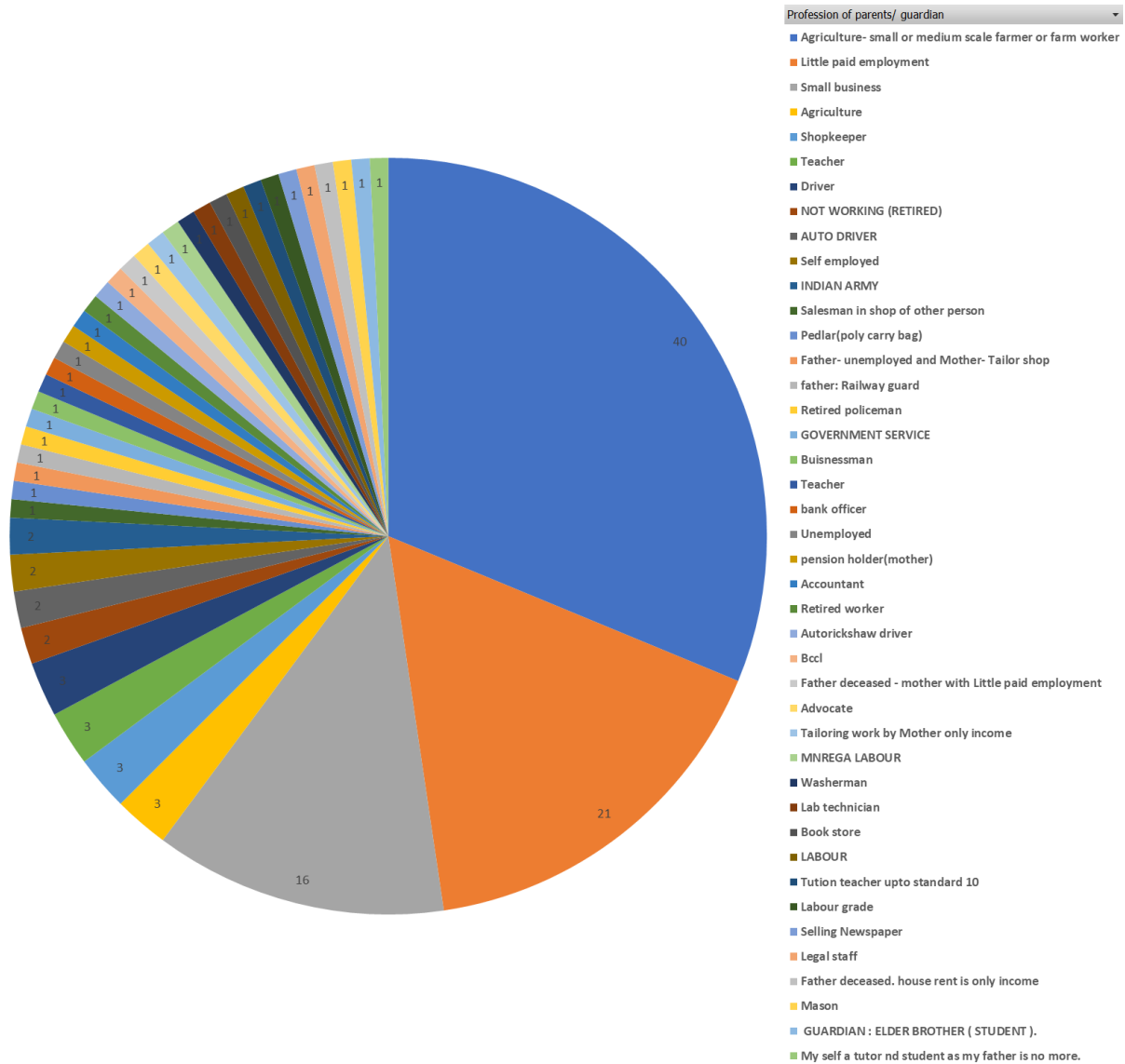
Do not miss the stats below from applications, as they are real revelations for us to focus our energy being alumni of the college

Branch-wise split of applications

Branch	Student applications
Electrical	31
Mechanical	31
Civil	15
Chemical	12
Metallurgy	11
Electronics & Communication	7
Mining	7
Production	6
Computer Science & Engineering	4
Information Technology	4

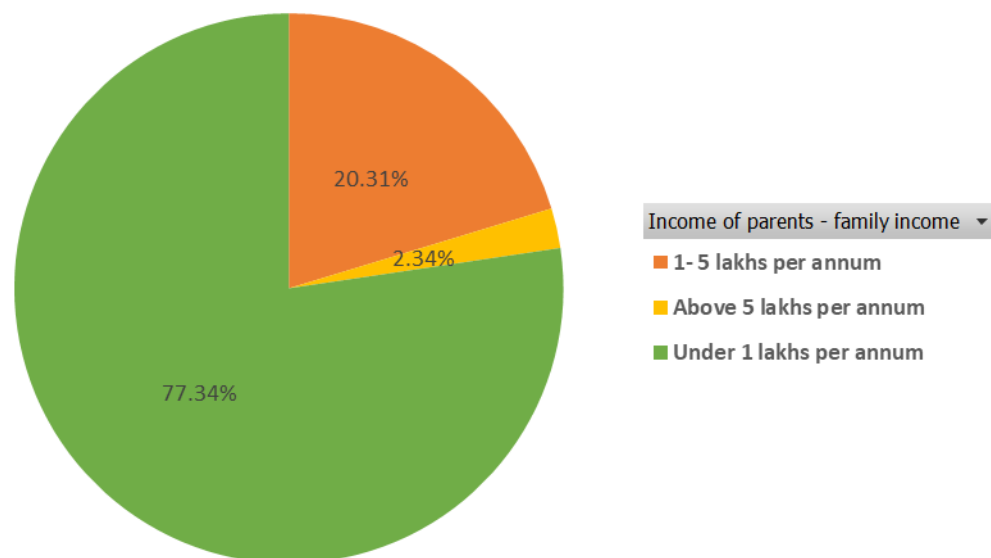


Profession of student’s parents/guardian – one who supports their study



We do have many students in our college from the classes of society where we do not see penetration of technology and awareness about the changing times across the globe.

Family income of student's parents/guardian – one who supports their study



Some sample entries from Students' applications

Some of the entries, which were considered for selection, are presented below. These applications moved to round two. Many entries from other applicants, which were serious applicants but could not be entertained due to lack of funds.

Current academic year of study	Average(equal weightage to every semester) percentage Marks of last 4 semester results	Percentage Marks of last semester result	Branch	Income of parents - family income	Profession of parents/ guardian
Third Year	80%	83.60%	Mechanical	Under 1 lakhs per annum	AUTO DRIVER
Third Year	8.3575	8.55	Mechanical	Under 1 lakhs per annum	My-self a tutor and student as my father is no more.
Third Year	7.44	7.45	Electrical	1- 5 lakhs per annum	Self-employment
Third Year	8.35	8.55	Mining	Under 1 lakhs per annum	FARMER
Third Year	7.8	7.9	Civil	1- 5 lakhs per annum	Business
Third Year	6	6.2	Chemical	Under 1 lakhs per annum	Farmer

Some more quotes from the applications from students

<p>What is the importance of laptop for you? What would you do with the laptop?</p>	<p>Being a mechanical engineer student I need a laptop to work with designing software and analysis software. Moreover, the basic knowledge of programming language is preferably required according to the current need of almost all industries. Also for the preparation of competitive exams like GATE and IES I need to join online test series and give online tests by the help of laptop.</p>
	<p>Laptop is a necessary tool for me in engineering do following field 1)learning basic fundamental of computer and programming 2)working with AUTOCAD and CATIA 3)taking mock test of gate and IES</p>
	<p>I want to prepare gate examination with the help of laptops</p>
	<p>For attaining online exam. Just like test series of gate. Or any other exam.</p>
	<p>I will give test series, fill form for different vacancies and use it for my academic purpose. For giving online test series for GATE</p>
<p>How do you currently meet your needs of using laptop/computer? How much time you spend on computer now and where?</p>	<p>I need to spend approx. 1 hour every day, but it depends on the availability of my friend's laptop on the day, so I face problems often.</p>
	<p>Presently I meet my requirements of laptop from roommate. On an average 1:30 hr/day in hostel</p>
	<p>I am currently using my android phone and its size is small so it directly strain on our eye</p>
	<p>For learning mines planning and designing by mine software. From my college friends</p>
<p>Other Comments</p>	<p>I am grateful to you and the ANANT PRAYAS program for helping students of weak financial background like us. I promise you that I will carry on your efforts to higher level once I become an earning person, and this boon will reach to all the needy students of our institution so that there may never prevail thoughts like higher education is a day dream for poor students.</p>

How to engage with Anant Prayas

Alumni

1. Sharing your story with students on our facebook page(<https://www.facebook.com/anantprayas/>) or on our website in “share your story” section <http://anantprayas.org/share-your-story/>
2. Contribute to our open projects and lead the way.
3. Donate via cheque or Bank transfer to the account below:
 Account Name: Anant Prayas
 Account Number: 036601000023118
 IFSC code: IOBA0000366
 Account Type: Savings
 Bank Name: Indian overseas Bank
 Branch: Ranchi

Students

1. Register and login to Become a Beneficiary or a Volunteer at www.anantprayas.org
2. Contribute to open projects by helping to develop the Digital Platform – there are open projects which need skills as web development, content writing, PHP, html, JAVA programming. You would be rewarded with incentives for these projects.

Thanks for your time and let us know your feedback by writing to aaloka@anantprayas.org