Meet and Greet Event

The Kurla centre conducted a meet and greet event for the specially-abled alumni of the SMART+ project. The alumni who have completed more than one year at their workplace and have shown good performance were felicitated. They also shared their experience at work-place and benefits of having a job.

Sign Language Booklet Launch

The I Learn – I Earn project team conducted an alumni get together and a sign language book launch event. Alumni were felicitated for their personal and professional achievements. Representatives from corporate partners, such as Webtel and Masina Hospital shared their positive working experience with Sujaya Foundation’s specially abled youth. A sign language booklet aimed to learn the basics of sign language was also launched in collaboration with LTI.

Field Visit

The SteP students from the Chembur centre went for an Industry visit to Bata Retail Pvt. Ltd. The Retail Manager shared information on various aspects of store management and customer handling. Students were also given the tour of the store.

Interns from NMIMS

Some of the first year full time MBA students from Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies (NMIMS) interned across various Sujaya Foundation centres. Students were engaged with the skill development assignments relevant for the holistic development of Sujaya Foundation’s youth.
**NGO Get-together**

An annual NGO get-together event was held at the Kurla centre. NGOs working for specially-abled and special schools were invited. The meeting helped various representatives to know about different community initiatives for specially-abled youth. The key representatives also referred their SSC pass students to Sujaya Foundation centres for skill building and employment.

**Job Fair**

A Job Fair for Persons with Disabilities was organized at Kalina Campus of Mumbai University. Participating companies were from sectors of Hospitality, Retail, Banking & Finance, BPO, Textiles, IT/ITES, Travel & Tourism, Telecom, E-Commerce, and Manufacturing. Specially-abled students from various centres participated and submitted their resume to the corporate employers.

**Chess Competition**

The I Learn – I Earn students from Vashi and Bandra participated in a Chess competition on Jan 26th, 2019 that was organized at Moraj Club House (Vashi) by Mr. Manish Juyal. Our Bandra student Vikas Yadav won the first prize. It was a great learning exposure for the students.

**Training the teachers**

Sujaya Foundation in collaboration with the NGO Atma, conducted basic computers training for Atma’s partnered special schools. The feedback shared by the learners is very encouraging.

The programmes conducted at Sujaya Foundation are very well structured and provides an immense learning experience to the participants. The staff at Sujaya Foundation is extremely approachable, accommodating, and skilled and maintains high degree of professionalism. We being satisfied with basic computers training course conducted by Sujaya Foundation for three of our Special Education partners, also recommended Sujaya’s English and Computer course to our other partners and wish to continue the collaboration with Sujaya Foundation ahead!
Students in Focus

Our SMART+ project student from the Kurla centre, Umeshwari Dudyala, participated in LinkedIn for Coaches event. It is LinkedIn’s annual mentoring event, wherein the LinkedIn employees prepare job aspirants with the work-readiness skills. Umeshwari’s and her LinkedIn mentor created a video for seeking data entry job. The video became viral world-wide, got 5,80,000 views and eventually got her a data entry job in an IT firm.

Teamwork session

The students from the Bandra centre were taken to LinkedIn Corporation for a session on Teamwork and its Importance. The students were divided into the teams and were mentored for team building activities by LinkedIn volunteers. The session gave a big boost to their confidence as they spoke about their topics in front of the audience.

Snehal Patole, an I Learn– I Earn student of Vashi centre represented Maharashtra at the 23nd National Games of the deaf held at Chennai, Tamil nadu for which she won Gold and Silver medals in Badminton. Hearty Congratulations Snehal!