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Prakash Foundation in Association with ACIC IIT (ISM) foundation extends helping hand to meritorious girl students of science of economically backward section of the society; provides scholarship, free of cost coaching for medical/engineering entrance exam and smart phone for attending on line classes.

Prakash Foundation, an NGO engaged in promoting women's education today organized The 13th Awareness & Awarding of Scholarship Program in association with ACCIC IIT (ISM) foundation Dhanbad at Golden Jubilee Lecture Theatre (GJLT) of IIT (ISM) during which scholarship worth Rs 3000 each, besides a smart phone have also been provided to each of 26 meritorious girl students of Class 11th (Science) of economically backward section of the society, who have secured more the 85% of marks in Class X.

This apart, scholarship worth Rs 3000 each have been provided to 24 meritorious girl students of Class 12th Science who have been selected for scholarship for two years during the last year while they were in class.

Prof Rajni Singh, Dean Corporate Communications of IIT (ISM) Dhanbad who was present during the function as Guest of Honor handed over the scholarship cheques along with other guests including Prof PS Rao of Department of Mathematics and Computing and Dr Akansha Sinha, Chief Executive Officer of Atal Community Innovation Centre (ACIC) IIT (ISM) Foundation and Camelia Chaudhary, Manager, ACIC IIT (ISM) Foundation.

Rameshwar Prasad (84), a retired Mechanical Engineer of ACC Sindri, who is also founder presidents of the Prakash Foundation, who coordinated the programme said, "Every year we provide the scholarship to the meritorious girl students of Science who are also enrolled for coaching classes for medical and engineering entrance exam at the cost of Prakash Foundation"

"We select the meritorious students by inviting applications from the students who have completed Class Xth with at least 85% marks and have taken admission in Science stream at class XIth level.

"To ensure the study in online classes carried out by coaching centre, for which enrollment is carried out at our cost, the students are provided smart phones" said Prasad and added that once selected Rs 3000 is provided to them as scholarship for both 11th and 12th.

"As smart phone is provided to students during class 11th itself they are not provided the smart phone again but Rs 3000 is provided at 12th class level also which they can use either to recharge their mobile phone or to purchase some study material etc.

"We have launched the initiative to provide the scholarship to the meritorious girls students in 2012 after launching the foundation in 2012" said Prasad and added funding for the scholarship is carried out by Indian Women Professionals working abroad and particularly in USA.

"In the first batch we provided selected six girl scholarship and you will be surprised to note that five of them have secured admission in different engineering colleges" said Prasad whose daughter working in US is one of funder for the initiative.

"We also provide scholarship worth Rs 50,000 per year to some of these students, the annual income of whose parents is less than Rs 1.5 lakh annum who despite their selection in medical and engineering college could not manage their study expense on their own, through another organization, Foundation for Excellence" further said Prasad.

Rajni Singh

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