



## **Progress Report**

IND-RES-LCE-P01, India Reporting Period: November 2017-to October 2018

## **Life-Changing Education**

Budget: \$17,920 fully funded

## **Update:**

This project is supporting nine literacy centres in Northern India to provide informal education for children who are unable to enter the formal school system (usually because of poverty-related reasons). As well as supporting the centres to run, the project is extending the work of the centres by providing a computer and modem for each centre, thus allowing the children to become familiar with technology as well.

In our last project report we mentioned that teachers at five of the literacy centres now had computers and also received training on how to use them and how to train the children. We are pleased to report that each of these five centres are now running computer lessons with the children – 10 to 15 children per class (working off one laptop per class!)



In one centre the teacher has 15 students. One of these is a 12-year old boy, Mohd Alam. Mohd Alam comes from a rag-pickers slum. He is extremely bright and eager to learn. He never misses normal classes, nor the computer classes. The teacher reports he has a lot of skill on the computer, and this has given him hope for the future. This is such an exciting result so early on in the program!

We are keen to finish funding the project so that the other five literacy centres can also receive their laptop. Who knows what untapped skills the students in their centres have?

The ten centres we fund have 632 students – an increase of 10% since last time we reported. 53% are male and 47% female. These 632 students are able to access learning previously denied to them because of their poverty. They are being shown that they are worthy of love and an education, and they are given hope that they can make their lives different to that of their parents. Thank you for making this possible.

