



A photo storybook of the  
'Parents Teacher Meeting'  
conducted in

# BIHAR

as part of the Micro Improvement  
Project, under the NIPUN Bihar  
Mission.

October, 2022





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# अभिभावक शिक्षक संगोष्ठी में

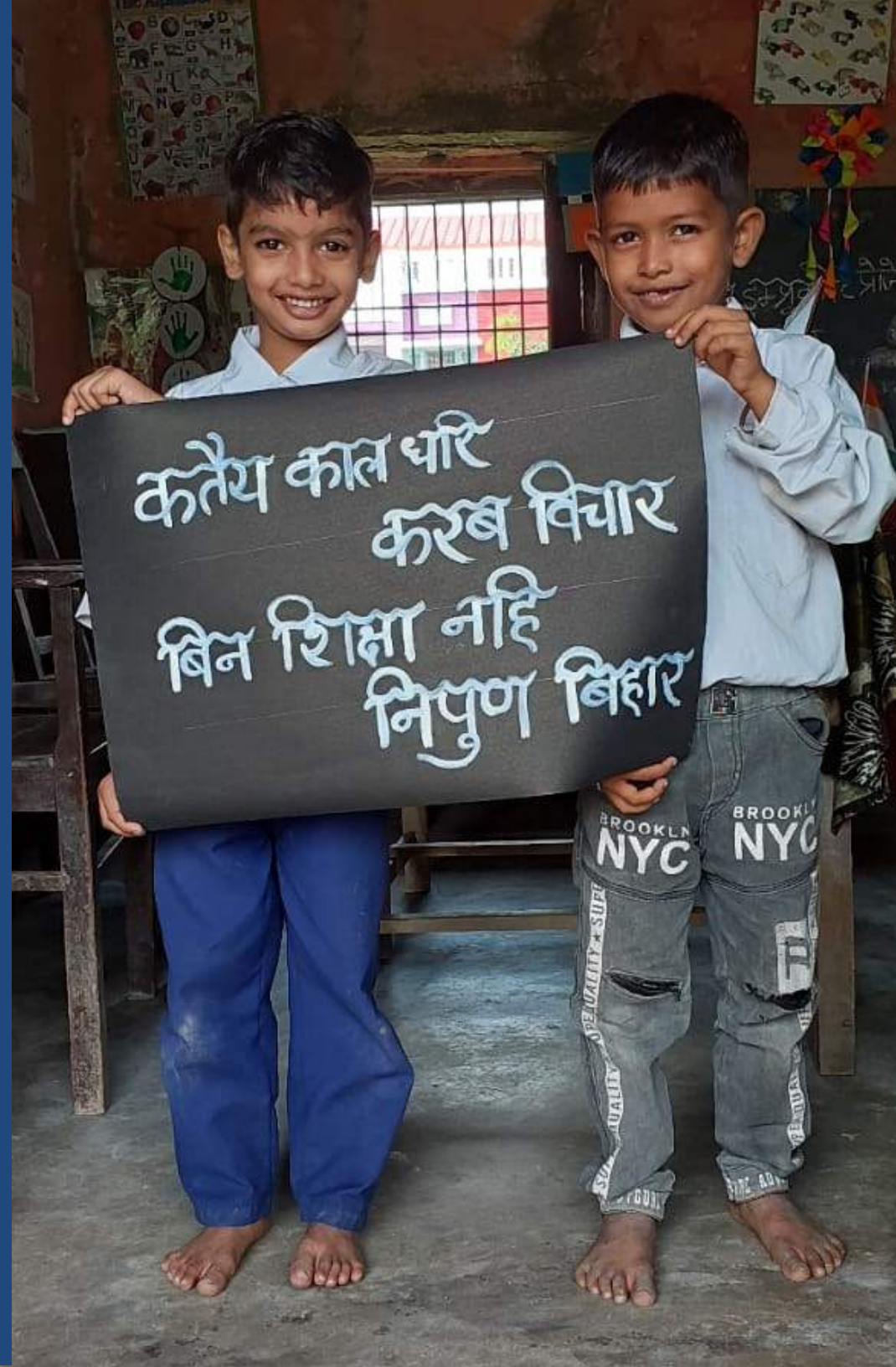


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Dear Reader,

Whenever someone talks about Parent-Teacher Meetings (PTM), it seems they are talking about a fancy private school. But to surprise all, the Directorate of Primary Education, Bihar & Bihar Education Project Council, with Mantra4Change & other CSOs, conducted PTM in 69,243 government schools in Bihar in October 2022.

It gives us immense pleasure to share this photo storybook, covering end-to-end activities during the PTM conducted at scale in Bihar, leveraging the Micro-Improvement project on DIKSHA. We thank all the teachers from different government schools of Bihar who shared the beautiful pictures we used in the photo book.

Regards,  
Editorial Team, Mantra4Change



# Abbreviations

**MIP:** Micro Improvement Project

**NIPUN:** National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy

**DIKSHA:** Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing

**PTM:** Parent-Teacher Meeting

**BEPC:** Bihar Education Project Council

**FLN:** Foundational Literacy and Numeracy

**SPD:** State Project Director

**ASPD:** Additional State Project Director

**TLM:** Teaching Learning Material

**CSO:** Civil Society Organization





As part of the ongoing Micro-Improvement Project under the Foundational Numeracy and Literacy (FLN) program, 69,243 schools in Bihar held a parent-teacher meetings on 20 October 2022. PTM was held to discuss the progress of children from grade-I to III, and if the resources and training provided by the government are having an impact on the children or not.





**Sri Deepak Kumar Singh,**  
I.A.S

Additional Chief Secretary,  
Bihar Education Department

The National Education Policy 2020 has stipulated that attaining foundational literacy and numeracy for all children must become an immediate national mission.

Towards this end Department of education, Bihar, launched a National Mission called NIPUN Bihar, ensuring that every child in the country necessarily attains foundational literacy and numeracy by the end of Grade 3, by 2026-27.

NIPUN Bihar is envisaged to support and encourage students, along with their schools, teachers, parents, and communities, in every way possible to help and empower them in achieving foundational skills.

It is a matter of great pleasure for me to share that our department took an effort to engage and empower the community towards child learning and growth through Parents teacher meetings. Parents' bonding with schools are the only way to improve the academic environment in schools.

It is said that a building can only be as tall as the foundation is strong enough. There is enough research and evidence that indicates that early years, up to the age of 7 or so, are the period of high Fate of brain development.

NIPUN Bihar envisages making the experience of learning at the foundational stage not just Integrated and Inclusive. but also, Holistic Enjoyable, and Engaging.

Partnering with parents and communities is crucial for achieving the goals of this mission in a timely manner through several innovative and effective interventions by all stakeholders. In this direction, Department of Bihar organized Parents teacher meeting in 69243 schools to strengthen school community linkages to towards achieving the goals of foundational Literacy and Numeracy.



**Asangba Chuba Ao I.A.S**

S.P.D, Bihar Education Project  
Council





## **Sri Ravi Prakash I.A.S**

Director, Primary Education, Bihar  
Education Department

Just as children do not get proper nutrition at an early age, their physical development gets stunted and no matter how many nutrients are fed later, it is not fulfilled.

Similarly, children will not be able to do better in life if they do not get better learning experiences early. It is necessary that in the early stages, children get full opportunities for all-round development; the responsibility is not only of the school family but also of their parents/guardians. For this, the parents/guardians of the children need to be connected with the school.

To ensure the participation of parents, PTM was organized in all primary schools of Bihar with the parents of newly enrolled children of class-I. During the PTM, teachers demonstrated the proper use of all educational resources and the goals of Nipun Bihar Mission were discussed with the parents.

At present, activities are being conducted for students of grade-I under the *Chahak* Module. Schools have been provided with TLM, textbooks, books, and other kits for bringing innovation into the classroom. We will be able to achieve the goal of the NIPUN Bihar Mission only with the proper use of all educational resources.

It is not easy to conduct PTM in all the primary schools of Bihar on a single day. A lot of planning and preparation is required for such work at scale. It is also necessary to monitor the work being done, and based on the information received, giving timely guidance and support to the concerned officials is also essential. Keeping this in mind, teachers must organize activities by following the instructions using the program and resources on the Diksha App.

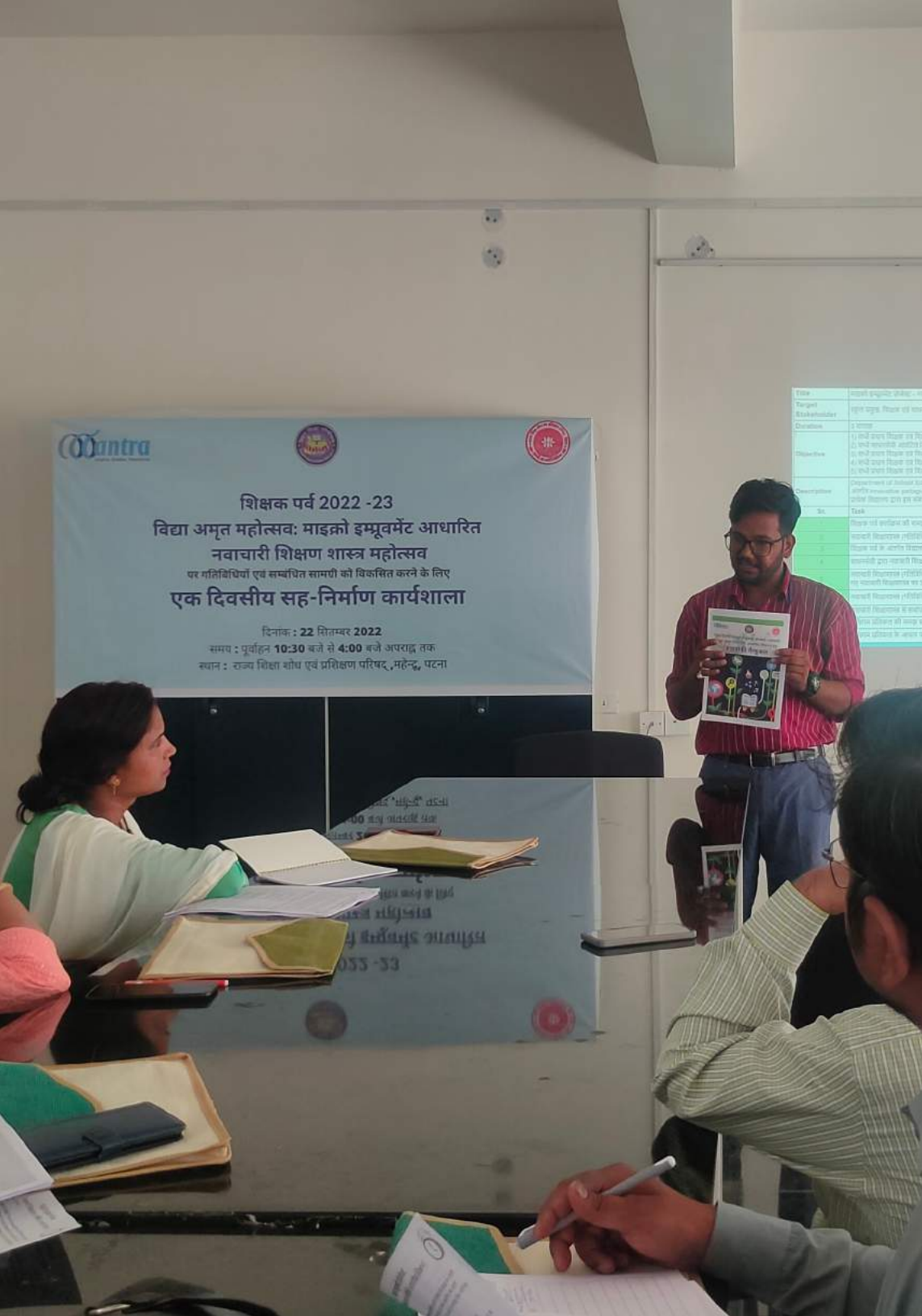
To keep the government informed about the progress, pieces of evidence such as photos and videos have to be uploaded on Diksha. To keep the parents informed about the progress of their child, PTM was organized in all the primary schools of Bihar.



**Smt. Kiran Kumari**

A.S.P.D, Bihar Education  
Project Council





# Chapter: 01

## Planning

05 - 10 October 2022



Smt. Kiran Kumari, ASPD, BEPC, invited different CSOs representatives working in Bihar to share their ideas on how can they support department in executing the parents teachers meetings effectively across the state. *Power of collectives!*





Different CSOs presented their suggestive plan of action for designing and implementing the PTM effectively. This was also an opportunity where different partners aligned their plans and ideas to avoid duplication of efforts.

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Once the plan of action was finalized by the Director, Primary Education, Bihar, such letters were issued to District Education Officers & District Program Officers to conduct the PTM.



Chapter: 02

*Launch*

13 October 2022





**FLN, निपुण बिहार**

के अंतर्गत दीक्षा ऐप्प के माध्यम से माइक्रो इम्प्रूवमेंट प्रोजेक्ट आधारित

# "अभिभावक - शिक्षक संगोष्ठी"

## शुभारंभ

**दिनांक : 13 अक्टूबर 2022 समय :अपराह्न 04:00 से**

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कार्यक्रम से जुड़ने के लिए आइकॉन पर क्लिक करें





**श्री रवि प्रकाश, भा.प्र.से**  
निदेशक, प्राथमिक शिक्षा



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स्टेट लीड, मंत्रा4चेंज



**श्रीमती किरण कुमारी**  
ASPD, BEPC

The poster was shared before the launch on various social media handles of the education department of Bihar and Mantra4Change. Such posters have great significance as teachers and head teachers rely heavily on them for basic information, such as date, time, meeting link, and guest speaker.





बुनियादी साक्षरता एवं संख्या ज्ञान मिशन  
अंतर्गत  
माइक्रो इम्प्रूवमेंट प्रोजेक्ट - अभिभावक  
शिक्षक संगोष्ठी का  
डिजिटल शुभारंभ  
दिनांक: 13 अक्टूबर 2022

YouTube LIVE

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Shri Ravi Prakash, IAS, Director, Primary Education, Bihar, Launching the MIP-PTM on 13th October 2022. Launching any such state-level educational interventions happens via YouTube, considering the digital medium's reach.

**LIVE** Custom Live Streaming Service You are viewing Nishant Singhania's screen View Options View

## आज के कार्यक्रम के मुख्य बिन्दु

- 1 बुनियादी साक्षरता एवं संख्या ज्ञान, निपुण बिहार मिशन अंतर्गत “माइक्रो इम्प्रूवमेंट प्रोजेक्ट- अभिभावक शिक्षक संगोष्ठी” की समझ पर चर्चा
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- 3 माइक्रो इम्प्रूवमेंट की आवश्यकता, लाभ एवं कार्यक्रम के अनुश्रवण की योजना
- 4 मुख्य अतिथि द्वारा माइक्रो इम्प्रूवमेंट प्रोजेक्ट- अभिभावक शिक्षक संगोष्ठी का लांच
- 5 माइक्रो इम्प्रूवमेंट प्रोजेक्ट के विभिन्न गतिविधियों के क्रियान्वयन सम्बंधित दिशा निर्देश एवं विभिन्न स्तर पर तकनीकी अनुसमर्थन की रूप रेखा पर चर्चा

Smt. Kiran, ASPD, BEPC

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Smt. Kiran, ASPD, BEPC, guiding the participants through the agenda of the YouTube live and objectives of the MIP-PTM. When senior officials, such as the director, joint director, or ASPD, chairs these meetings for head teachers and teachers, it makes an impact, and the MIP is taken in all seriousness.





Child Rights  
Act 1998

केशव कन्या मध्य विद्यालय  
सीतापुर, कानपुर





Chapter: 03

## *Execution*

14 - 19 October 2022

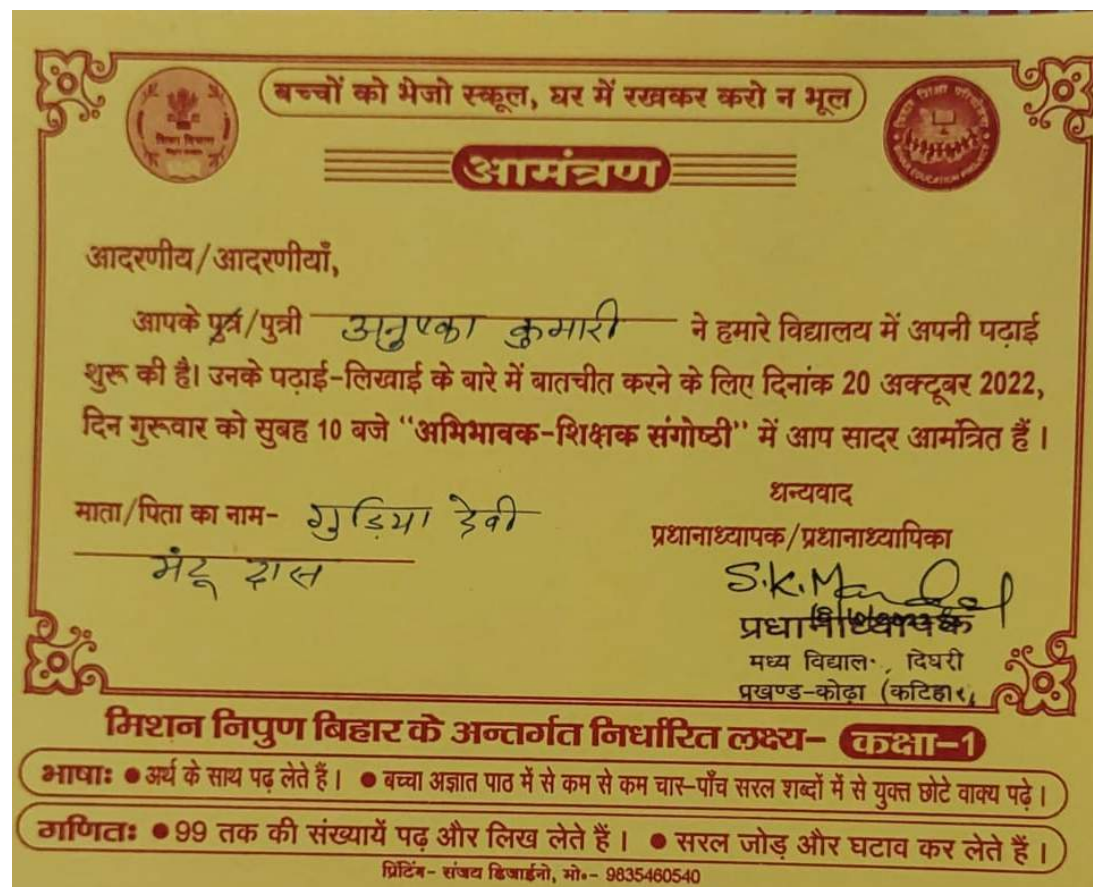
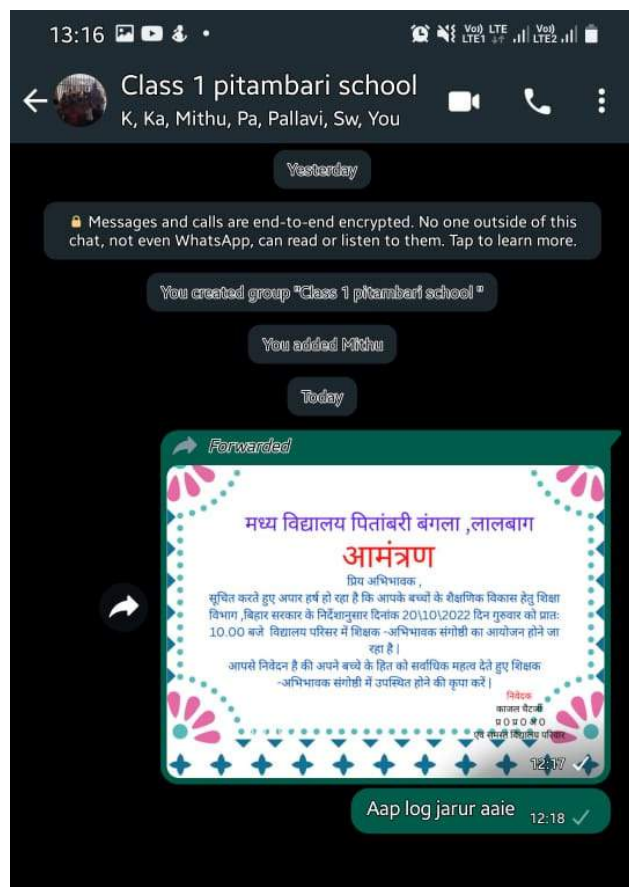


FLN Committee Meeting in Shekhpura, Bihar, on 15th October 2022 to discuss the MIP-PTM's execution. Under the NIPUN Bihar Mission, government schools have a special committee on FLN to implement the MIPs.





Children holding a handmade poster inviting parents for PTM, in a government school in Darbhanga, Bihar.



Every possible way was used to invite parents/guardians to the school, from WhatsApp messages to printed invitation cards. Such efforts had to be made to ensure the maximum participation from parents/guardians.





School children were sent home with the invitation card to bring their parents for the PTM. *Was this enough to get the parents/guardians at the school?*



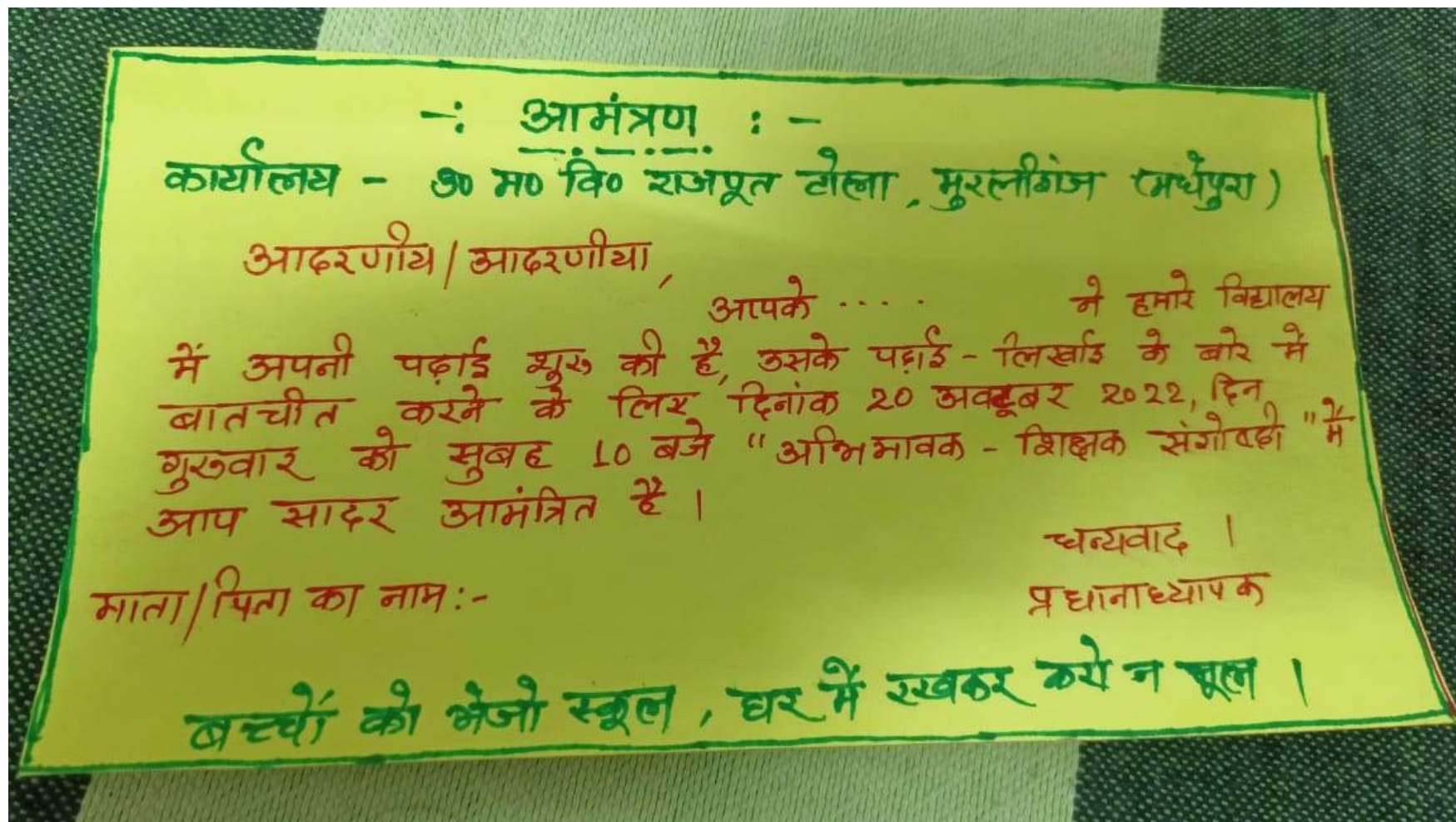


Headteachers and teachers didn't limit themselves by sending invitation card via children. They went door-to-door to invite parents for PTM in several districts of Bihar. *Mission mode!*



A mother, probably shy enough to face the teacher, hiding behind the veil while receiving the invitation for the PTM. *Wondring, if she made it to the PTM?*





No resources to print invitation cards in a limited period? No worries! Govt. school teachers in Murliganj, Madhepura, Bihar, sent hand-written invitation cards to parents to come for PTM. Children and teachers in many schools made posters and invitation cards for parents.





Akashvani! Parents were also invited through IVRS, leveraging All India Radio, to Parent Teacher Meeting



Who wouldn't go to school if they received such beautiful invitation cards?  
These efforts by the teacher and students are priceless.





What's better than a rangoli, right at the main gate, to welcome parents? This shows how serious the schools were about organizing the PTM and getting the parents/guardians at the school.





*Hands joined in devotion.* In the next chapter, let's see if parents/guardians turned up to school or not after a week long invitation drive.



Chapter: 04

*PTM Day*

20 October 2022







**बात टाल के करो ना भूल, मम्मी चलो स्कूल!**

A mother can be seen hand-held and being taken to school for the PTM by her daughter.



*Have I reached the right school?* Suraj Ram, parent, on arriving at his daughter's school with the invitation card shared by the school in Patna.





*Setting an example!*

Neeraj Das Guru, State Lead, Bihar, Mantra4Change, supporting schools in cleaning and other activities before parents arrive for PTM.



*Let the parents also see!* In one of the schools in Begusarai, parents can be seen sitting with their children while the teacher conducts the routine classroom activity.





Parents, teachers, and students, paying attention to a 'Chahak' activity conducted moments before the PTM in one of the schools in Patna.



*Swagat hai!* Schools welcomed parent in creative ways and there was a gallery walk put in different schools in Samastipur District.





In many schools, parents can be seen actively participating with their children while teacher conducts the activity.





*Is there any festival today?* Some of the schools made the PTM a festive celebration. Putting all these efforts, both by teachers and students, was worthwhile it as parents visited schools in large numbers.





*All eyes on you!* Parents and teachers are paying attention to children demonstrating a group activity during the PTM in one of the schools in Patna.





*Parents' bonding with the teachers and visiting school are the only way to improve the school's academic environment. Such informal spaces for the parent-teacher meeting was seen in many schools during the PTM.*





Chahak Activity Module, that gives a detailed instructions for the teachers to conduct the class for grade-I children, was demonstrated in many schools, in front of parents, on the PTM Day.



1. Gunjan Chaturvedi, from team Mantra4Change, at a school in Patna for reviewing and monitoring the smooth conduction of PTM.
2. PTM Preparation meeting happening at UUMS Sushil Nagar Begusarai.





*The officials, too, couldn't stop themselves from reaching schools. Shri Ravi Prakash, IAS, Director, Primary Education, Bihar, during his field visit in Khagaria district of Bihar on 20th October 2022 to monitor the PTM.*



Asangba Chuba Ao, IAS, SPD, BEPC, during his field visit to Shiekhpora district, on the PTM Day - 20th October 2022.





**Dipak Kumar Singh** ✓ @DipakKrIAS · Oct 20

Festive celebration of PTM for class 1 across all govt schools with primary sections, across the state- some glimpses. Parents' bonding with schools are the only way to improve academic environment in schools.

@ShikshaBihar @teachersofbihar @SamagraShiksha



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A snapshot of tweet by Deepak Kumar Singh, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Education, Bihar, on the PTM Day.



Chapter: 05

*Reflection*

21 - 22 October 2022



Communication between a parent and a teacher can impact student performance. Teachers can spot potential issues early on through parent-teacher meetings before they escalate into more significant problems. Parents who have a chance to discuss their children's progress with teachers feel more invested in their children's education and are more likely to help them improve. On the other hand, schools also feel more responsible towards the child.



**Neeraj Das Guru**

State Lead, Bihar  
Mantra4Change



## Vishal Pandey

Program Lead, Bihar  
Mantra4Change

The “Parent Teacher Meeting” avenue acts as a bridge between the parents/guardians of the children and the school. It can bridge the gap of mistrust in the parents' minds towards the government schools in Bihar. During my school visit, I witnessed a mutual trust developing between the school and parents/guardians.



While visiting the schools during the “Parent-Teacher Meeting”, I realized that this program is very necessary to improve the educational environment of the schools and to establish a positive relationship between teachers and parents.



**Gunjan Chaturvedi**

Program Lead (Solution  
Design), Bihar  
Mantra4Change



## Kumar Amalendu

Program Lead, Bihar  
Mantra4Change

"Parents and teachers have only one goal: 'The success of the child'. This can be achieved only by making the schooling process effective by ensuring partnership among parents, teachers and the child. In Bihar, organizing 'Parent-Teacher Meeting' with parents of Class-1 students is a positive step in this direction."



"The Parents Teacher meeting for Grade 1 students of government schools could be a pioneer initiative towards bridging the gap between the quality of education in private schools and public schools."



**Dr. Tapas R. Roy**

Program Lead, Bihar  
Mantra4Change



## Saurabh Singh

Program Manager, Bihar  
Mantra4Change

"It's (PTM) for the benefit of all. When a partnership approach between parents and teachers is evident, children's work habits, attitudes about school, and grades will surely improve. They will demonstrate better social skills, fewer behavioral problems, and a greater ability to adapt to situations and get along."









Smt. Kiran Kumari, ASPD, invited Mantra4Change and other CSO partners who supported the state in the whole efforts for the reflection and celebration.





*All smiles at the end! With the collective efforts of BEPC, Mantra4Change, and other CSOs, around 14 lakh parents/guardians visited 69,243 primary schools in Bihar. Isn't it a significant number? Let's see what's the turnaround in the next PTM.*





"To get through the hardest journey we need to take only one step at a time, but we must keep on stepping."





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