

English Version

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Project title: (a short title description for your project):

This programme is consists of several smaller projects. First, I would like to provide computer literacy to all people from all age groups in my village in Jharkhand, India. In the computer literacy program, they will learn some useful computer skills and internet based applications ranging from booking train tickets to filling up online application forms. In order to pay electricity bills, villagers have to travel to the nearest city (Bokaro, which is around 30 km away) and wait in a long line to pay the utility bill. Intermittent bus services to and fro to the nearest city adds another layer of complexity and inconvenience for the villagers. Although electricity bills can be paid online, lack of information (due to low literacy rate) and limited internet connectivity create major barriers for villagers and restrict them from using online services. In this case, it is very important we train them how to use computer and the internet based applications as it is becoming a basic human right in this digital era.

Another project is providing leadership training to students and teachers of existing two schools of the village: Governmental High School and the Middle School. Quality of education in both schools are very low and both students and teachers are not very motivated towards education. As a result, dropout rate is very high particularly for class 8th and 9th students. Moreover, students who can finish till class 10th struggle to get admission in class 11th and 12th grades.

Unsurprisingly, lower socio-economy condition and prevalent child-marriage play important roles in keeping students away from getting higher education. I truly believe we can use education as the most powerful tool to enhance the socio-economic conditions and empower villagers. In order to sensitize teachers and ignite passion for education among children, I would like to conduct a SPIRIT WEEK, a week long intensive leadership and mentoring programme, in both school during upcoming summer vacation in April-May, 2018. The syllabus covers a range of topics from goal setting to public engagement. Debates, essay-writing and role playing will be key part of the spirit week. After the seminar, 20 students from each school will be selected

according to their overall performance for a year-long mentoring programme. All selected students will be given a mentor who will talk to them twice a month and provide individual training and guidance. In total, there will be 10 highly accomplished mentors from leading institutions including the University of Oxford (5 of them have been already selected). Format of this mentoring sessions will be adapted from existing format of the WEDU rising star programme. We are planning to take 10 volunteers as mentors to guide all 40 students: four students each mentor. They will be given training in the beginning. There will be a meeting every three months for all 50 mentors and mentees (40 students and 10 mentors) to discuss and assess the progress of the program. This will work as a pilot project, and each step of the project will be closely assessed and feedbacks will be effectively integrated.

Project Site: Dantu, Bokaro, Jharkhand, India

1. Project Description: (Please explain here your project and how you will use the laptops.) As explained earlier, computers will be used to teach villagers basic computer and internet based skills. We will also require a projector. We will also use computer in the classrooms at the local high school and the middle school.

2. Project Location: Dantu, Bokaro, Jharkhand, india

3. Preferred language(s): Hindi

4. On Site Contact Information (please provide at least one way to contact):

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4.5. GPS coordinates (if you know them or if you can find them out): Latitude: 23.6 and longitude: 86.1 (approx)

5. Claimed IT equipment

Number of Laptops needed: 20 laptops (10 for the computer centre and 5 each for both schools)

Number of eBook Reader needed: 0

Others needed (Tablet-PCs etc):

I. 3 Projectors (1 each for the computer centre, middle school, and high school)

II. 3 Routers for WiFi access

6. Number of students: For the pilot phase, around 60 students in the computer centre and 100 students from the High School and 100 students from the Middle School

7. Number of teachers: 15 teachers in all 3 institutions

8. Electricity in the room: (Voltage and plug/socket type, e.g. type A, B, C, D, etc. see following link for explanation of types: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/AC_power_plugs_and_sockets(link is external))

India uses 230 Volts, 50 Hz alternating current as the power source. Plugs and sockets have either grounded / earthed 3 Pin connections (Type D) or ungrounded 2 pin connections (Type C). The two pin plug is also called the Europlug. It has two round 4 mm (0.157 in) pins.

9. Does the room have access to the Internet? [yes / no]: No, but I am hoping to get it connected.

9.1. Is the access via wireless or cable?: No, but I am hoping to get it connected.

10. Conditions about the room where the laptops will be installed:

10.1. Is the room secure? [yes / no + brief explanation]: Yes, it is secure as schools are locked during nights and keys are kept with the peon.

10.2. Can the room be locked in a way that the supervisors (e.g. teachers) can control access? [yes / no + brief explanation]: Yes, it can be locked and there will be a supervisor.

10.3. Is the room weather-proof? (e.g. does the room protect the laptops from rain, sand, etc?) [yes / no + brief explanation]: Yes, but we need to handle with care by adding another layer of water proof cover for computers.

***The solicitation of a Labdoo laptop request implies that, upon receiving the laptops, the recipient agrees with the "Labdoo Laptop Recipient Agreement".

Labdoo Laptop Recipient Agreement:

Dear Laptop receiver:

We are very pleased to have the opportunity to contribute to your project by providing technology to help bridge the digital divide. With every right comes responsibilities. Technology, when adequately used, can provide very powerful means to aid those that are most in need. But if used improperly, it can also damage our environment. By receiving the above items, you are automatically accepting to abide by the following Labdoo global responsibilities:

(1) The items received will be used only for the purpose described by your organization at the time you solicited this donation.

If you intend to use it for a different purpose, you will contact first the Labdoo team at contact@labdoo.org(link sends e-mail).

(2) In the case that an incidence occurs to any of the received items, you will contact the Labdoo team at contact@labdoo.org(link sends e-mail), including in your email the tagging number of the item(s) related to the incidence and a brief explanation. The following incidences must always be reported:

(2.1) At the end of life of any of the received items, so that the item can be properly recycled.

(2.2) When an item breaks, malfunctions or any change in its status.

(3) Every six months, please send an email to contact@labdoo.org([link sends e-mail](#)) with the list of laptops that you have and their status (working or not working).

(4) Labdoo laptops are offered for free to you for education purposes. In return, you agree to not use the laptops for commercial reasons and you agree not to charge any fee for the usage of the laptops.

(5) By returning this form filled in, the solicitor confirms owning all rights on sent materials (current or in the future) submitted to Labdoo.org and allowing such content to be publicly available from Labdoo.org. In addition, the solicitor confirms having approval for taking pictures of the children and/or any person benefiting from Labdoo laptops, tablets or any Labdoo donations, from their parents and/or legal guardians. Labdoo.org explicitly points to the fact that sent materials and pictures/photos may be used online and/or offline, and hence that they can be accessed by third parties, and that such pictures are used to help preserve the transparency and accountability of the projects.

We thank you for your commitment to make our world a better place and we wish you best of luck in your humanitarian mission.

The Labdoo Team.