Global Rainbow Foundation Mauritius keen to work with Ajmal Foundation in Assam

Ajmal Foundation organised an international seminar on “Role of teachers in mentoring future Indian leaders” in collaboration with Global Rainbow Foundation, Mauritius at Maryam Ajmal Women’s College of Science & Technology, Hojai on Feb 8, 2015.

Addressing the occasion, the chief guest Armoogum Parsuramen, former Minister of Education, Arts, Culture & Science of Mauritius and former Director and Representative of UNESCO, said “to nurture the young future leaders through education we have to work together in more collective manner by using the different tools of education system.”

Dubbing the concept of global citizenship, Parsuramen further said, “We want to work together with Ajmal Foundation in the field of higher education and we are ready to extend the necessary support from the Global Rainbow Foundation, Mauritius.”

Assoccham Award for Ajmal Foundation under ‘Best NGO – Skill Development’ category

At the Summit cum Award ceremony in New Delhi organised by Assoccham India (The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry, New Delhi) on Jan 20, 2015 Ajmal Foundation was awarded certificate of merit in the category ‘Best NGO-Skill Development’ by the highest industry body in India. The recognition distinguishes Ajmal Foundation amongst other reputed NGOs providing similar skill training in India. This award also gives the Foundation a pan India recognition in skill training and livelihood mission.
Editorial

An educational study tour of South India

The members of the AIEM team touring South India are seen with K Rahman Khan (seated, 4th from left), former Union Minister Minority affairs, in Bangalore on Dec 22, 2014.

A team of All India Educational Movement (AITEM) headed by Amanullah Khan, President, comprising of 16 other members drawn from across the country visited Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, and Telengana from Dec 19, 2014 to Jan 01, 2015 to study educational institutions and interact with educationists, administrators, and professors in these states. The undersigned, representing the Ajmal Foundation, was also a member of the team.

Al-Ameen Educational Society was the host at Bangalore and Muslim Educational, Social and Cultural Organisation (MESCO) in other places in Karnataka, Kerala, and Telengana. The team was joined by representatives of 37 NGOs/Schools of UP at the Bangalore workshop. The team participated in the Al- Ameen UP Muslims Educational Workshop at Hosakote, Bangalore at their residential school during Dec 19-20, 2014. Many eminent educationists, retired civil servants, and administrators addressed the workshop. PA Inamdar from Pune; Dr Fazal Ghafoor, President Muslim Education Society (MES), Kozhikode; and Prof Akhtarul Wasey, Commissioner for Linguistic Minorities, New Delhi were among prominent persons who interacted with the team at Hosakote.

On Dec 22, the team visited Bangalore and met K Rahman Khan, former Union Minister for Minority Affairs. Thereafter it visited Mysore and Srirangapatnam and arrived in Kerala on Dec 25. Among the several institutions it visited in Kerala, one prominent was the Markaz Knowledge City away from main city of Kozhikode proposed to be developed over 125 acres by the year 2020 where a Unani Medical College was already under construction. On Dec 27, the team participated in MES Golden Jubilee celebrations in Kozhikode where American Federation of Muslims of Indian Origin (AFMI) was holding their 23rd annual international convention on education. Thereafter the team visited several other educational institutions in Karnataka and Telengana before the members departed for their homes on Jan 2, 2015.

This tour has undoubtedly enthused and motivated the members to emulate the example of South Indian states who have brought a significant measure of confidence and self respect in the community through education.
Ajmal CSR Organisations Annual Meet-2015

The Ajmal CSR has announced its plan to set up 10 new colleges in Assam including one in Bodoland Territorial Area Districts (BTAD) during the year 2015. It was declared during the three-day annual convention of Ajmal CSR officials and heads of institutions run by the Ajmal Group in Assam's Hojai.

The convention from Jan 13 to 15 also witnessed several meetings and interactive sessions in a bid to enhance the performance. Maulana Badruddin Ajmal, CEO of Ajmal CSR & Member of Parliament and Abdur Rahman Ajmal, Trustee and Member of Assam Legislative Assembly were present in all the programmes.

During the session, Ajmal CSR informed the participants about their plan for commencing the 'Ajmal National Rural Education Movement' (ANREM) planned to be launched shortly to benefit mainly the river island areas of Assam.

The Principals' Meet of all institutions run by Ajmal CSR was held at the conference hall of Maryam Ajmal College of Science & Technology for Women, Hojai on Jan 14. Musharraf Hussain, Director of Ajmal Industrial Training Institute, Kapasbari was given a cash award of Rs 15,000 and his fellow trainers an aggregate of Rs 25,000 for innovation as well as providing overseas placement to over 50 trainees during the last three years.

Rector of Jamia Islamiya Asha’atul Uloom (Maharashtra) Sheikh Ghulam Mohammad Vastanvi was among distinguished guests present on the occasion.

Ajmal Group CEO addresses teachers in Hojai

A special programme to welcome and felicitate Amiruddin Ajmal, chief patron and CEO of Ajmal Group was arranged by Ajmal CSR organisations at Markazul Ma’arif Library Auditorium in Hojai on Dec 7, 2014. Over 200 teachers from different educational institutions run by the Group were present on the occasion.

At the outset, senior functionaries of Ajmal CSR organisations including Shahid Hussain, Executive Trustee, HAMM Hospital, and SH Chowdhury, Vice President Markazul Ma’arif, presented fulam gamosa, sarai, bouquet of flowers to Amiruddin on behalf of all teachers and employees of the CSR organisations. Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation handed over a thanks giving plaque to the dignitary.

Addressing the teachers who had assembled from across the State, Amiruddin Ajmal said that a student had unstinted faith in a teacher and the teacher had to live up to it. Even the parents, society and education authorities have high expectations from teachers and very often it puts the teacher under tremendous pressure. He urged upon the school management to take care of the teacher’s aspirations and needs to the full.

At the end, Amiruddin said, “Teachers, whatever time you spend with the student, spend it as if you were in prayer with god. As you would not cheat god while at prayer, you would also not cheat the student while teaching him. Mould the child into a good human being and your task is over.”
Candlelight Rally by Ajmal Foundation

To register protest against the killing of innocent people in Assam’s Kokrajhar District on Dec 23, 2014 a candlelight procession was organised by Ajmal Foundation in Hojai on Dec 31, 2014. The year-end massacre had shaken up the conscience of people across the State. By organising this candlelight procession, Ajmal Foundation not only condemned the brutal massacre of innocent people but also woke up the administration to take stern action against the perpetrators of the violence. At the end of the rally, Kamal Dutta, eminent citizen of Hojai; Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation; Tafzil Ali, PRO Ajmal Foundation; and Zakir Hussain, Principal, Ajmal College addressed the participants at the rally.

Ajmal Foundation & Indian Army observe Disabled Day together

International Day of the Persons with Disabilities was observed in a befitting manner by the Indian Army COB Deomornoi, about 65 km from Guwahati, in Darrang District of Assam on Dec 3, 2014. Over 100 differently-abled persons along with their attendants and care givers in addition to prominent citizens and media persons of the area took part in the programme.

Ajmal Foundation’s Cleanliness Drive in Hojai

Ajmal Foundation organised a massive cleanliness drive in Hojai on Nov 11, 2014 morning. The students of Ajmal College of Arts, Commerce & Science, Hojai and the office bearers of Ajmal Foundation extended their helping hand towards the cleanliness drive which was kicked off by Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation.

The areas where the clean-up drive was undertaken included the neighbourhood of Ajmal College, Main Road Hojai and College Road.

Ajmal National Talent Search Exam (ANTSE) - 2014 Meet in Hojai

Ajmal Foundation organised the Ajmal National Talent Search Exam (ANTSE) Meet - 2014 on Nov 8, 2015 at Maryam Ajmal Women’s College of Science & Technology, Hojai. Around 40 coordinators across the State took part.
"National Education Day’ organised by Ajmal Foundation pays tribute to Maulana Azad

Ajmal Foundation observed ‘National Education Day’ commemorating birth anniversary of the nation’s great freedom fighter and independent India’s first Education Minister Bharat Ratna Maulana Abul Kalam Azad at Ajmal College of Arts Commerce and Science, Hojai on Nov 11, 2014.

Seven eminent teachers were felicitated for their lifetime contribution in the field of education. They were Jia Uddin Mazumdar, Atar Ali Choudhury, Ponaram Gogoi, Abdul Matin Laskar, Abdul Mussabbir, Khagen Ch Sen and Baburam Chauhan. Nurul Islam Laskar, the guest speaker, delivered the key note speech on the occasion which was followed by screening of a documentary on the life and work of Maulana Azad.

Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation; Dr MRH Azad, Deputy Manager, Ajmal Foundation; Prof Ajmal Haque Choudhury including the Principals, faculty members and the students of Ajmal Group of Colleges also participated.

Ajmal Foundation provides placement to 6035 youths

The rampant unemployment issue is a serious concern for the educated unemployed youths in entire North Eastern region in general and Assam in particular. To lower the unemployment rate in Assam, Ajmal Foundation has come out with a unique initiative under the aegis of Government of India, to provide employment opportunities to educated unemployed youths of the State.

Recently the Govt of India has sanctioned a project “Seekho Aur Kamao” (Learn & Earn) under the Ministry of Minority Affairs. “The main focus of the scheme is to conserve and update traditional skills of minorities and establish their linkages with market. To improve employability of existing workers, school drop-outs etc and ensure their placement and to generate better means of livelihood for marginalised minorities and bring them to the mainstream” said Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation.

Under this project Ajmal Foundation, the Project Implementing Agency (PIA) is providing training to around 200 beneficiaries under three different training centres, viz, Karimganj, Dhubri, and Hojai. Meanwhile the Foundation has already provided placement to 6,035 beneficiaries in different MNCs across the metropolitan cities through proper training in hospitality, security services, retail sales, sales and marketing, BPO call centre, plumbing, etc under Skill Training Employment and Placement (STEP), which is a joint initiative with MoRD, Govt of India.
TV programme helps handicapped child get a wheel chair

At a time when most of the TV channels are being blamed for creating negative vibes in the society, one channel stands out apart for bringing smile to the face of a cerebral palsy affected child and her family. In its weekly telecast of the serial ‘ji kom, hosa kom’ (whatever I will speak, I’ll speak the truth) on the Assamese TV channel DY 365 on Nov 27, 2015 the anchor Akashitora had highlighted the pitiable plight of a six year old girl of Guwahati named Gungun who has been afflicted with cerebral palsy since birth. She has no balance of body on her own and the mother, Jyotsna Begum, has to hold her on her laps all the time. As a result, the mother is not able to do any household work. The father of Gungun being an autorickshaw driver, it has not been possible for them to get sophisticated medical treatment for their child.

Once the episode was telecast, people from across the country and abroad, started making phone calls to the family as well as to the TV anchor and all of them wanted to help the child in their own ways.

But the immediate need of the family was a strapped wheel chair which could hold the baby in it allowing the mother limited movement for her daily chores and household work. Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation, who had watched the TV programme on Nov 27 got into action immediately and with the concurrence of Maulana Badruddin Ajmal, CEO of Ajmal CSR organisations, conveyed the desire of gifting the wheelchair to the child. In the channel's telecast programme on Dec 4, Khasrul Islam presented the wheelchair to Gungun in presence of Akashitora and Gungun’s family members.

Tributes paid to Rakesh Kejriwal, late President of Hojai Press Club

Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation paid tribute to late Rakesh Kejriwal, after the latter’s untimely demise, at a condolence meeting held at JK Kidwai Bhavan, Hojai on Dec 5, 2014. It may be mentioned that late Kijriwal was the President of Hojai Press Club.

Hojai SP KJ Saikia visits Ajmal Foundation in Hojai

Kangkon Jyoti Saikia, first Superintendent of newly created Police District of Hojai was felicitated by Khasrul Islam, Manager Ajmal Foundation in Hojai on Jan 12, 2015.

Saikia expressed his satisfaction after paying a brief visit to Ajmal CSR organisations, especially engaged in the field of modern education, skill development and other humanitarian activities. The new SP expressed his desire to extend all necessary support from the district administration to the Foundation’s good work in the days to come.

Reach out to the community, empower the weak, build the nation

Ajmal CSR has a long and impressive track record of projects implemented in the fields of education in rural areas, livelihood training for BPL & minority communities, promotion of gender equality, setting up of hostels for girls, promotion of ecology and protection of the environment, animal welfare, promotion of rural sports, relief operation during natural calamities and development of rural and slum areas etc. Those companies, corporates, and philanthropic organisations interested to partner with Ajmal CSR in these fields may contact us on cell nos. 0-94351-68635, 0-99571-91925 or communicate to: ajmal_foundation@yahoo.co.in
Hamm Nursing School Hojai promoting ‘nursing as a noble profession’

Hamm Nursing School, a pioneer nursing institution located in Hojai, Nagaon District, under the banner of Hamm Public Trust, to provide excellence in nursing education, health care and commitment to human development offers three and a half years duration of general nursing and midwifery programme to the aspirant candidates.

It was the dream of philanthropist late Haji Ajmal Ali, to produce quality nursing professionals to meet the demands of shortage in healthcare delivery system of the entire North East region by helping the people through better health care. The foundation stone was laid down by the Chief Minister of Assam, Tarun Gogoi on October 2009 and it started functioning from 2011.

Meanwhile, the first batch of students from the school came out successfully in the year 2014 and all of them were absorbed as staff nurses in Hamm Hospital & Research Centre, the parent hospital of the school. The Nursing School invites all aspirant candidates, having the requisite qualification (10 + 2 pass, Arts Science with minimum 45% aggregate) who are looking forward to a challenging career in the healthcare service and to become independent health professionals for their family and the society.

It’s to be noted that the institution is recognised by the Government of Assam and approved by Indian Nursing Council, New Delhi & Assam Nurses’ Midwives’ & Health Visitors’ Council, Guwahati, Assam, with annual intake capacity of thirty (30) students per academic year. At present 103 students are pursuing their studies in this institution under the guidance of experienced faculty members.
Member of Parliament Hussain Dalwai visits Ajmal CSR organisations

Honest Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) Hussain Dalwai (left) accompanied by delegates from abroad visited the Ajmal CSR organisations in Hojai during Dec 2014. They were accorded traditional welcome at Ajmal Foundation, Hojai.

‘Mission – 2015’ New Year Special Programme at Ajmal Foundation

In a bid to gear up the social activities and to set up the action plan of Mission -2015, Ajmal Foundation fraternity organised a special programme on the very first day of 2015, at ARTDC Conference Hall, Kapashbari. The day long programme was marked by a number of Power Point Presentations (PPTs) by the HoDs of the organisation.

About 15 PPTs were projected highlighting the action plan for the year 2015, which included the Department of Administration, Ajmal National Talent Search Exam (ANTSE), Relief and Rehabilitation, Public Relations, Skill Development, Krishna Kanta Handique State Open University Study Centre and Ajmal Group of Colleges.

“To raise our head high in the sky” dubbing this slogan in his key note address, Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation said, “Being a social organisation we have to look forward to more developmental activities for our society and to go ahead with this motto we need to settle our planned activities very clearly”. Stressing on the mission and vision of the organisation, he further urged the entire Ajmal fraternity to work together in a collective manner.

Dr MRH Azad, Deputy Manager and PK Nath, Academic Officer also addressed the gathering. All the HoDs, principals, teaching staff of Ajmal Group of Colleges, in-charges, Ajmal Group of Institutions and all the office bearers of Ajmal Foundation participated.

2000 violent affected families in Dhekiajuli get relief from Ajmal CSR

A team of Ajmal CSR organisations headed by Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation, distributed blankets among the victims of Dec 23, 2014 massacre of Dhekiajuli in Assam. The day long relief distribution programme was organised in different relief camps including Madhabpur Prathamik Vidyalay, Posa Pani New L P School and Ziya Gabahary LP School of Sonitpur District on Dec 27 with the support of local people. The relief items were distributed to over 2,000 victim families in the violence affected areas.

Underprivileged persons get rickshaws for a livelihood

In collaboration with Al-Imdaad Foundation, Ajmal Foundation Hojai distributed eight rickshaws to
underprivileged persons in Hojai on Oct 27, 2014. The beneficiaries were Abdur Rahim, Kalapani, Doboka; Muhammed Hussain, Doboka Town; Abbas Ali, Nomati, Doboka; Ali Hussain, Khewaghat, Doboka; Nurul Hoque, Kalapani; Siraj Uddin, Nomati; Nosor Uddin, Nomati; and Faruk Ahmed, Sutargaon, Doboka.

Speaking on the occasion, Nosor Uddin, a beneficiary said, “For me rickshaw is a tangible gift offered by Ajmal Foundation which will help me tremendously to earn a livelihood for my family and therefore I am grateful to Ajmal Foundation.”

**Photo report of recent events by Markazul Ma’arif**

Amiruddin Ajmal, CEO, Ajmal Group of Companies had a ‘Special Programme’ with the Teachers of Markaz Academy and Ajmal Colleges at Markaz Public Library on Dec 7, 2014. During this programme, he also unveiled the first issue of the quarterly magazine of Ajmal CSR named ‘Ajmal Today.’

1st position holder in essay competition organised by Markazul Ma’arif, Masuda Sultana of Markaz Academy, Tengaguri receiving her prize from the General Secretary, Markazul Ma’arif.

Inauguration of Dining Hall at Markaz Academy English High School, Hojai by M Abdur Rahman Ajmal & Hafiz Abdul Hafiz Ajmal on Jan 16, 2015.

On Dec 25, 2014 under the scheme of ‘Markaz Livelihood Mission’ and in presence of M Abdur Rahim Ajmal, MLA Jamunamukh, Markazul Ma’arif distributed 103 bicycles to the poor day labourers of Nilbagan, Doboka, Jamunamukh and nearby areas of Hojai.

The students of Markaz Academy, Hojai were awarded the 1st and 2nd prizes at the Republic Day parade ceremony at Sankardev Nagar, Hojai by Ranoj Kr Barkakati, SDO(Civil), Hojai in presence of Kangkan Jyoti Saikia, SP, Hojai Police District and other dignitaries.
Maulana Badruddin Ajmal distributed GI sheets, utensils kit, and cash amount of Rs 2,000 to each family at Goalpara during the festival season in October 2014. Manowar Hussain, MLA, Golapara; and Sazzad Zaman Hazarika, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Goalpara were also present on the occasion.

Annual Science Exhibition of Ajmal College of Arts Commerce & Science Hojai

Rajen Choudhury, Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), Hojai along with Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation and Zakir Hussain, Principal, Ajmal College Hojai inspecting the Ajmal Vibgyor, an annual exhibition of Ajmal College of Arts Commerce & Science, Hojai on Nov 23, 2014.

Ajmal Foundation observes Silpi Diwas at Hojai

To showcase the cultural and literary contributions of Rupkonwar Jyotiprasad Agarwala before the young generation, Ajmal Group of Colleges (AGC) observed the Silpi Diwas centrally at the conference Hall of Ajmal College of Arts, Commerce & Science, Hojai on Jan 17, 2015. On the occasion, paying tribute to Jyotiprasad Agarwala, Anup Barthakur, leading member of Hojai Sahitya Sabha, highlighted different contributions of Agarwala towards the society before the students while Rajiv Hussain, lecturer, Maryam Ajmal Women’s College of Science & Technology (Degree) also projected a brief presentation on the life of Jyotiprasad Agarwala.

Prof Ajmal Haque Choudhury of Hojai College; Khasrul Islam, Manager; Dr MRH Azad, Deputy Manager; Dr Yahya Mazumdar; College Administrator of Ajmal Foundation; and the Principals of Colleges also addressed the gathering.

Three-day Teachers’ Orientation Programme held at Hojai

Dr Paul Pudussery, HoD Department of Education, Assam Don Bosco University addressed the Teachers Orientation Programme - 2015 at Maryam Ajmal Women’s College of Science & Technology, Hojai on Feb 3, 2015.

The three-day Teacher Orientation Programme was organised by Ajmal Foundation. All the principals and about 120 faculty members of Ajmal Group of Colleges participated in the programme. The resource persons included Kamaleshwar Kalita, Assistant Professor, Lanka College; Dr Abdul Awal, Principal Najibur Ajmal Memorial College of Education; and Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation.
Fire victims receive prompt aid from Ajmal CSR

A severe fire that engulfed the Salpatti locality of Hojai on Feb 16, 2015 rendered a large number of people homeless and bereft of food and other essentials. Ajmal CSR jumped into action immediately, made a list of severely affected families, and with the support extended by other NGOs of the area, handed over Rs 10,000 each to 19 families and Rs 5,000 each to another 14 families besides giving away a onetime grant of Rs 25,000 to a woman who was worse affected by the mishap. SH Chowdhury, President Markazul Ma’arif; Dr Aditya Langthasa, former MLA; Kamal Das, President, Playboy Sports Club; Khalilur Rahman, Manager, Markazul Ma’arif; and Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation were among those who were present on the occasion.

Field Supervisor Moin Uddin honoured for outstanding performance

Moin Uddin, Field Supervisor at Ajmal Foundation, was felicitated for his outstanding performance in the implementation of rehabilitation project of Ajmal Foundation in 2014, at different locations of Assam. The felicitation programme was held at Ajmal Foundation on Jan 31, 2015.

Readers across the region and country get a feel of ‘Ajmal Today’

The first issue of ‘Ajmal Today’ reached a large number of educationists, social workers, administrators, opinion leaders and luminaries not only across the North East but also across the country.

Film producer Noorul Sultan attends ‘Phagunor Duporia’ at Maryam Ajmal Women’s College in Hojai

Noorul Sultan, notable Assamese film producer, visited Ajmal Foundation and Maryam Ajmal Women’s College of Science & Technology on Feb 27, 2015. He addressed the students in a cultural event ‘Phagunor Duporia’ organised by Maryam Ajmal Women’s College of Science & Technology (Degree) in Hojai.

Office bearers of American Federation of Indian Muslims (AFMI) and invited guests take a look at the first issue of ‘Ajmal Today’ during the AFMI International Convention on Education held in Kozhikode (Kerala) on Dec 27 & 28, 2015.
Women register greater participation in skill training programme

The passing out ceremony of 30 trainees who underwent the first 90-day ‘Placement linked skill training programme of Swarna Jayanti Swarojgar Yojana (SJSRY)’ organised by the Guwahati Municipal Corporation and implemented by Ajmal Foundation was held in Guwahati on Jan 19, 2015. The second such training programme with an equal number of participants was also inaugurated simultaneously. The participation in these programmes aimed principally at the urban unemployed is dominated by women.

Jupitora Bhuyan Dutta, one of the leading actors of the Assamese screen, who was the chief guest on the occasion, related her own story of struggles and achievements, and exhorted the trainees to make the best use of the training they have received under the SJSRY programme.

Mubina Akhtar, Member of State Wild Life Advisory Board, Assam stated that a person in any strata of the society has a role to play in the development of the society.

Khasrul Islam, Manager, Ajmal Foundation handed over a cheque of Rs one lakh extended by Maulana Badruddin Ajmal MP as medical support for payment of hospital bills of Ranjita Goswami who breathed her last in a Mumbai Hospital on Tuesday morning. The cheque was received by Dinesh Das, a veteran actor of the Assamese screen. It may be recalled that Ranjita was the wife of Assamese actor Nipon Goswami and had created her own niche as a fine singer, actor and painter. The gathering observed a minute’s silence in memory of the departed soul of Ranjita Goswami.

Media persons interact with SJSRY trainees in Guwahati

30 trainees, mostly women, undergoing a 90-day course in hospitality and housekeeping under the Swarna Jayanti Swarojgar Yojana, completed a month of training in mid February 2015. On this occasion, a media interaction programme was organised to provide an opportunity to journalists to know about the scheme in details and hear the experiences of the trainees straight from their mouth.

Welcoming the journalists, Neyajuddin Ahmed, Placement Officer, Ajmal Foundation informed that Ajmal Foundation has trained nearly 8,000 youth across 14 districts of Assam in the past under the Skill Training for Employment & Placement Scheme (STEPS) of which 7,365 have already got employment in hospitality, telecom, retail sales, and other FMCG sectors in different parts of the country.