MISSION POSSIBLE: INDIA
Project Profiles 2018-19

TEAM MATHISI – VIDYASHILP ACADEMY

This team worked with a school called Mathru Educational Trust for the Blind. This school provides free education, vocational training, skill development, living quarters, as well as food to its students. Upon conducting their initial survey, the team found that the students were having the most trouble with grasping math and science concepts. So, they consulted with the teachers at the school and procured learning aids for students with visual impairment.

Project Objectives:

- Improve learning outcomes of the students at the school
- Procure specialized learning aids for students with visual impairment from reliable vendors
- Bring teachers on board on using these learning aids

Activities:

- Researched various types of learning aids such as homemade polymer clay shapes, math drill cards in braille, life science tactile graphics and tactile human atlas which would help students in math and science concepts
- Collected about INR 1,00,000 through online fundraising
- Researched and found two vendors in the US with whom they placed the order for the learning aids
- Worked closely with the students and the teachers at the school to ensure that the learning aids are used during lessons

Results:

- Children at the school have access to more math and science learning aids
- Teachers have learning aids which can supplement their lessons
- School has direct access to vendors from whom they can procure other aids going forward

Next Steps: This group plans to continue to visit the school and see how the learning aids are being used in classes