

THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN IN KERALA -A CASE STUDY

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ABSTRACT

Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is Government of India's flagship programme for achievement of Universalization of Elementary Education (UEE) in a time bound manner, as mandated by 86th amendment to the Constitution of India making free and compulsory Education to the Children of 6-14 years age group, a Fundamental Right. SSA is being implemented in partnership with State Governments to cover the entire country and address the needs of 192 million children in 1.1 million habitations. The program was initiated to imbibe the development of schools in rural areas. Existing school with teachers are provided training programmes and many rural schools are started for the development of the deprived sections. Various grants are provided by the government for training and establishment at the village, block, district and state level.

Keywords: Ssa, Deep, Uee, Aicte, Ngo.

I. INTRODUCTION

The programme was basically initiated to mobilize the learning process in the economy. It is a comprehensive and integrated flagship program of the Government of India which aims at Universalization of Elementary Education covering the entire country. It tries to provide elementary education to children in the age group 6 to 14 years by 2010. The major interventions, across all levels of school education, proposed under the scheme are: (i) Universal Access including Infrastructure Development and Retention; (ii) Gender and Equity; (iii) Inclusive Education; (iv) Quality; (v) Financial support for Teacher Salary; (vi) Digital initiatives; (vii) RTE Entitlements including uniforms, textbooks etc.; (viii) Pre-school Education; (ix) Vocational Education; (x) Sports and Physical Education; (xi) Strengthening of Teacher Education and Training; (xii) Monitoring; (xiii) Programme Management. SSA seeks to provide quality elementary education including life skills. The idea was reised in th 86th amendment to provide free and compulsory education for children from 6 to 14 years. The main person behind this was the most respectable Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

II. OBJECTIVES AND TARGETS OF SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN

The goals of the SSA Mission are:

- Maximum enrollment of children in the age group 6 to 14 years
- Bringing the deprived section of the society on to the education platform
- Removing gender discrimination in education
- Enhancement of learning in the lower primary and upper primary.

Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) has two aspects:

1. It provides a wide convergent frame work for implementation of Elementary Education schemes.
2. It is also a programme with budget provision for strengthening vital areas to achieve universalisation of elementary education.

Types of plans adopted by SSA

1. District Elementary Education Plan (DEEP) – Aims at educational development in districts.
2. It has two plans which include annual plans and perspective plan .A perspective plan shows the perspective of the state. It provides the long term strategies of the state. Particular year action plans are being set up by the Annual plans.

- The planning process need to be undertaken in a decentralized format so that each and every section of the society gets ample participation.

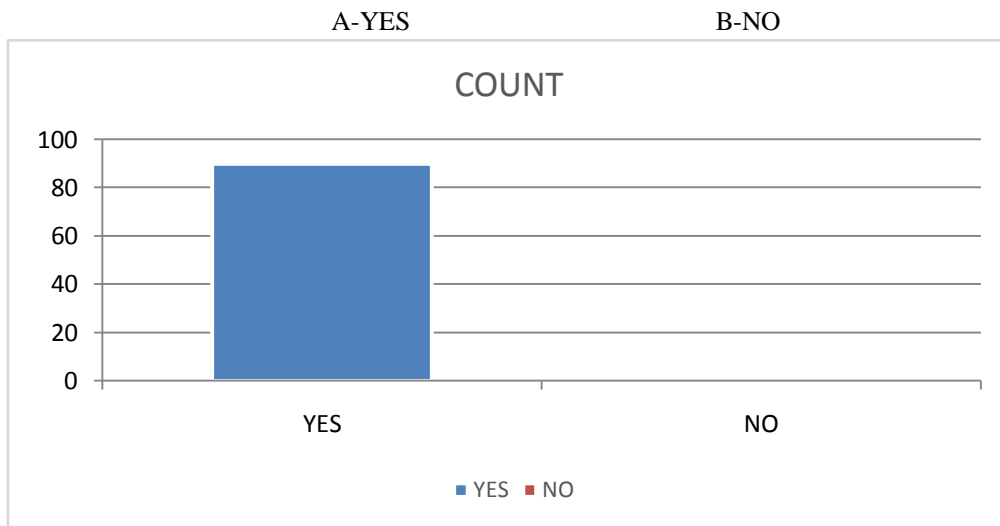
III. METHODOLOGY

The methodology adopted in this project includes both primary and secondary where secondary sources includes interview with the principal,10 teachers,3 office staff and 4 PTA members.

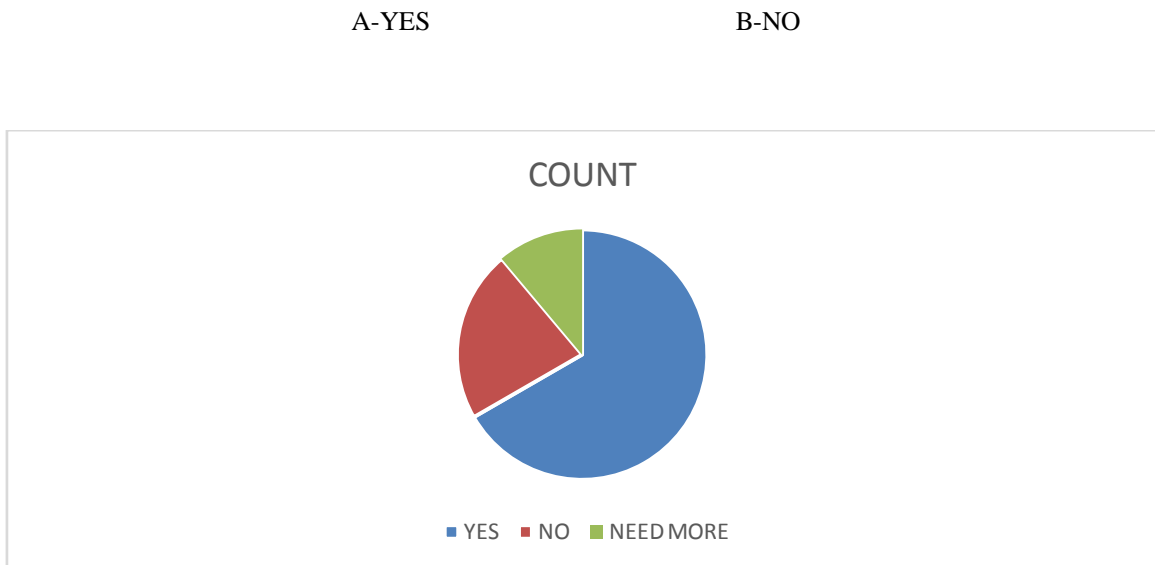
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IV. MODELING AND ANALYSIS

- According to your opinion is the working of SSA improved your school’s condition?



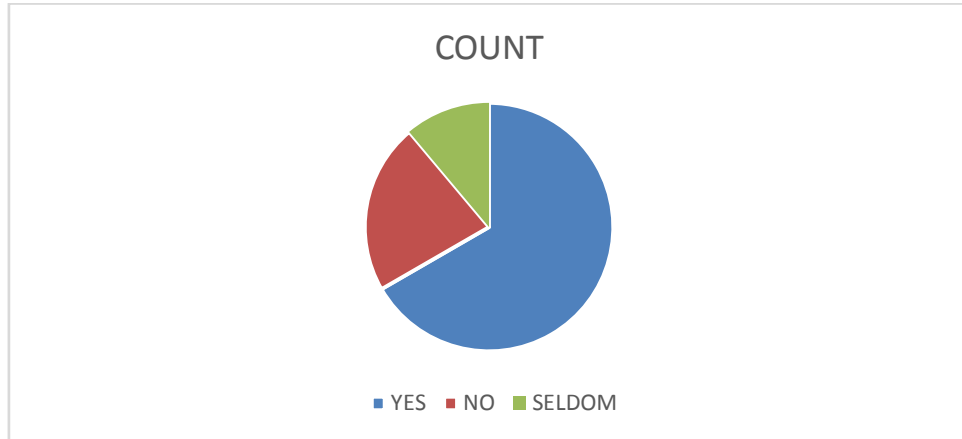
- Are you able to get suitable funds for development from the government?



3- Do you organize seminars or workshops under ssa programme for students?

A-YES

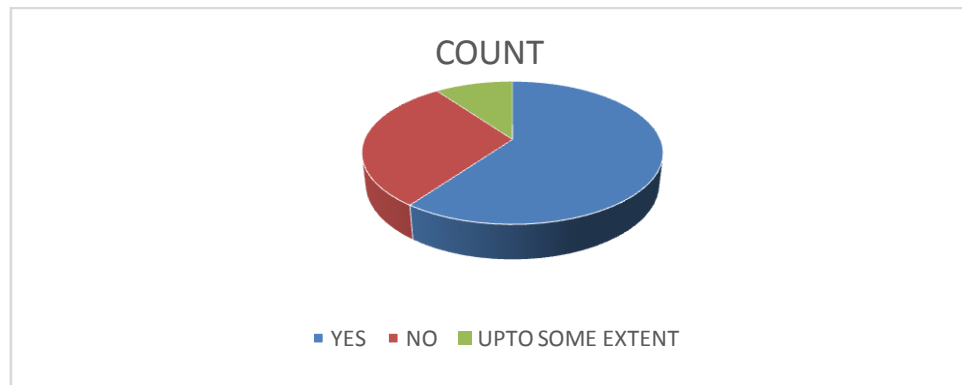
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4-Are you sure that the program resulted to bring up backward students?

A-YES

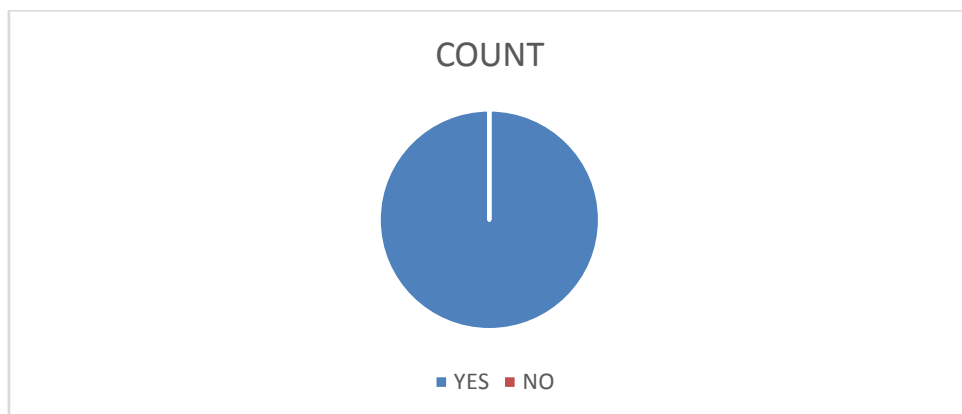
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5-Do you have regular pta body in school?

A-YES

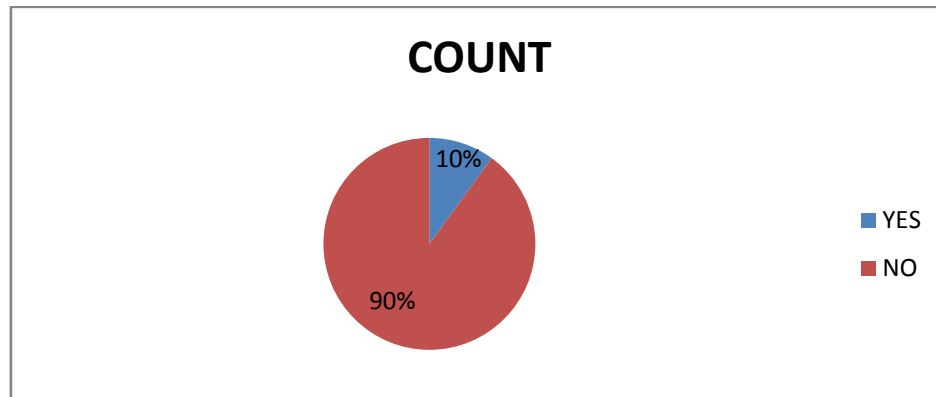
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6. Whether with the initiation of SSA has improved the infrastructural facility in your school?

A-YES

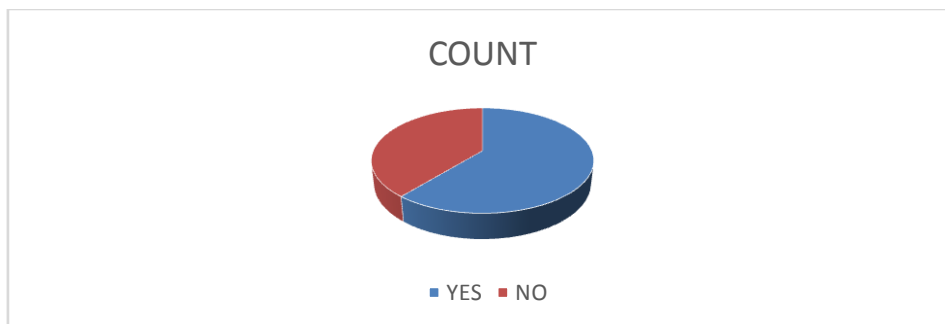
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7. Do you receive any help from the NGO (Non Governmental Organisation) functioning abroad?

A-YES

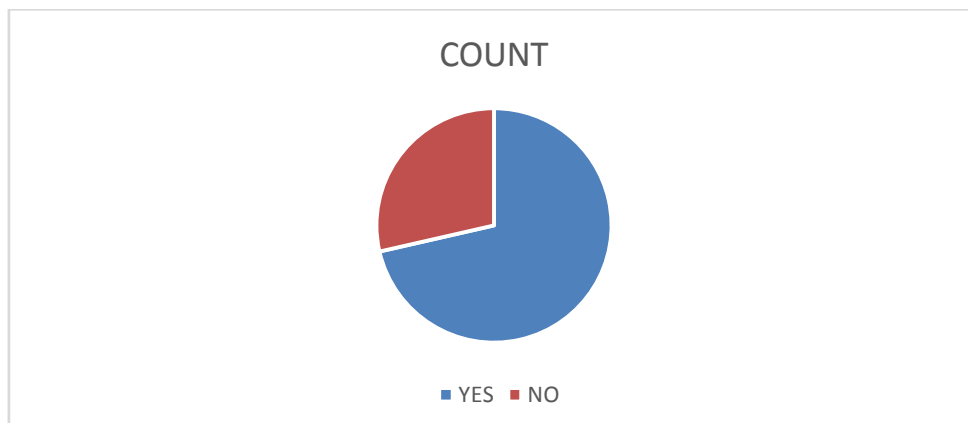
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8- Whether pure drinking water and sanitation facilities available in your school?

A-YES

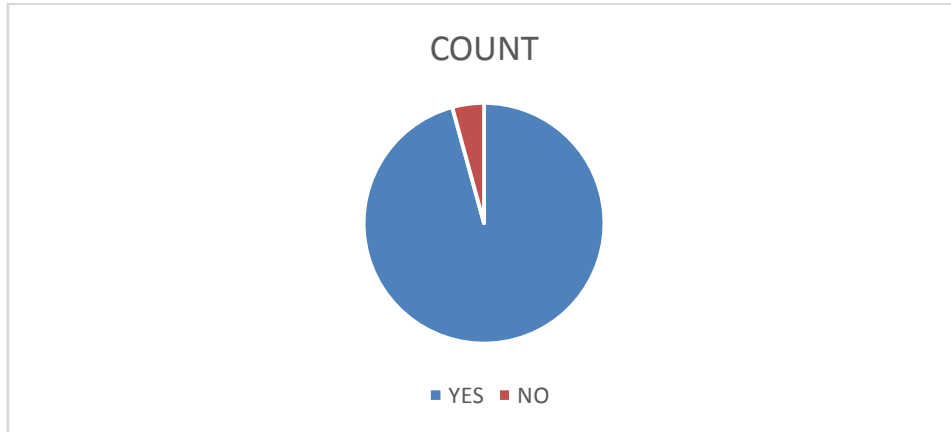
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9- Do you receive aid and grant from both central and state government?

A-YES

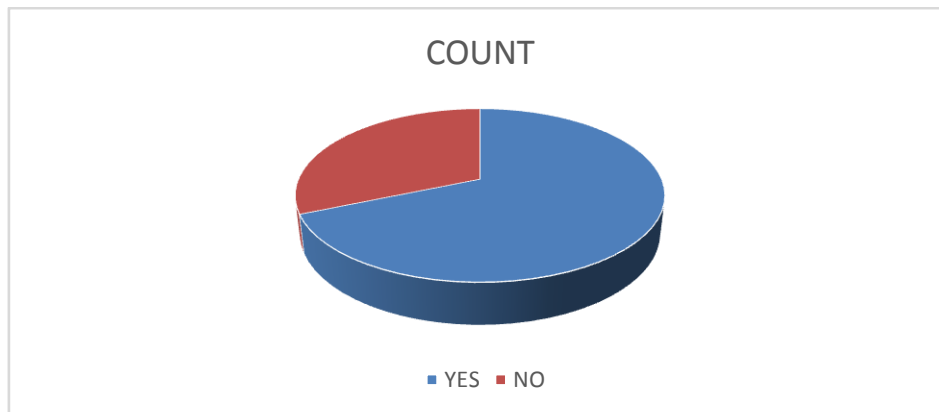
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10- Are you happy with the present educational system?

A-YES

B-NO



V. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The studied school is located in Kollam, one of the top most institute which renders care for the development of each and every student. Established in year 1937 the school locates in the rural area of Kerala state of India. In **Vettikavala** area of **Kottarakara** block of **Kollam** district. School is providing High Secondary level education and is being managed by the education department. The languages in school are Malayalam, English language and school is Co-educational. School is affiliated with State Board for both secondary and high secondary level. Most of them argued that the NGO system plays a significant role in their school for the development of the same. They receive immense help from government organisations and it helps them to develop their areas of schooling. They argue that they are happy with the present education system but needs to impart teachers with more training prigrams so that there occurs a new generation with young and aspiring minds. Suitable infrastructural facilities are being offered in the school for the upliftment of the student community.

VI. CONCLUSION

SSA started its operation from 2000-2001 to provide education to the deprived sections bringing them to the forefront making free and compulsory education to children from 6-14 years. It includes teacher training programmes, workshops, distribution of basic infrastructural facilities in school, class room facilities, drinking water facilities, school library facilities etc..

The main aim of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan is:

1. To provide basic education to students at an age from 6-14 years
2. To remove social, economical and political gap in educational system
3. To nurture the natural environment
4. To spread value based education

Thus it is clear from the above interview conducted that with the initiation of SSA there has been a lot of improvement in the educational sector of our economy both in the area of operation and management.

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