

Barpeta, a district of Assam, covered by the mighty Brahmaputra from the east to west across the Southern part and tributaries like Beki, Manah, Pahumara, Kaldia, Palla, Nakhandia, Chaulkhowa and Bhellengi from north to south. A major part of the population being minority and sparsely populated with scattered habitations, education is a great challenge especially for the girl child, by the Education Department.

But the establishment of 5 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya in Barpeta district has come as a major boon for both the guardians and the Education Department. The KGBV is a scheme to provide elementary (Upper Primary) level quality and life skilled educational facility to girl children of the age group 10 to 14 years belonging to SC, ST, OBC and minority communities in a residential mode. The criteria followed for setting of the schools are blocks with rural female literacy below the national average and gender gap in literacy which is more than the national average.

The success of the KGBV students is able to generate a good feeling among the masses that the government cares about the BPL families and promote for their upliftment.

I wish all success to the 5 KGBVs of the district.


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Residential School and Educational Services in Barpeta District

The present Barpeta district derives its name from the Head quarter town of Barpeta, is one of the three Civil Sub-Divisions of undivided Kamrup district created in 1841 by the British Rules. In July 1983, Barpeta become a full fledged independent district. The Barpeta district consist of two Sub-Divisions, i.e Barpeta (Sadar) Sub-Division and (2) Bajali (Civil) Sub-Division.

Barpeta district is an administrative district in the state of Assam in India. The district headquarter is located at Barpeta. The town is located 90 k.m north west of Guwahati and is one of the major towns in western Assam. It is called Satra Nagari of Assam.

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As major part of the district is covered by char areas and are mostly flood affected areas which makes education a tremendous experience for the small kids and had been a major cause of many dropped out and out of school in the past.

Minority community people and with other caste people, sparsely populated with scattered habitations, is always a great challenge for the providers as well as receivers of education services specially at the Elementary level.

Moreover, as a Muslim dominated district, the education of the girl child is an upheaval task for the education department mainly after LP level. Those girls are mostly married away at an young age or they are engaged in sibling care or in the household cores.

But the establishment of Residential school and Residential Hostel in existing middle school (Co-education) in the District Barpeta by the Govt. under SSA is an educational boon for the children and people of this district.

Presently, there are 5 KGBV schools in Barpeta district namely:

1. Barpeta KGBV
2. Mandia KGBV
3. Chenga KGBV
4. Pakabetbari KGBV
5. Gobardhana KGBV

All the KGBVs of the district are functioning well and girls are performing good result not only academically but also in co scholastic activities. For this success of the residential schools, the Education Department is able to generate a good feeling among the masses that the govt. cares about the BPL families and promote their upliftment

In these schools, children are getting boarding, bedding, stipend for girls every month, medical care & contingency and maintenance facilities with all supporting staff to look after them 24 hrs and providing scholastic and co-scholastic education. Today, children no longer need beavers the difficult terrain for getting education. They are also given self defense training by trained person for defending themselves at adverse situation.

Vocational training like knitting, cutting & embroidery, flower making etc. is also given to the girls by skilled person engaged as temporary basic to equip the girls to generate their own income in later life.

Our challengers are:

1. Expansion of the in take capacity of students hostel building.
2. Provision of adequate hostel furniture viztable, stool, bookshelves and beds.

One of them is Barpeta KGBV school located in Baradi.

Photo highlights of Barpeta KGBV are affixed here with:



