

Case study - Trichy

Bala Naganathan was a mischievous boy who could not concentrate in his studies due to his playful nature when he was in primary school. When the teacher admonished him to make him disciplined, he left the school and thus he discontinued education. He told his parents that he wanted to work in mechanic shop. Consequently he started working in a local mechanic shop for meagre wages.



Over a period of about two years Bala Naganathan had forgot what he already learnt in the school. At this juncture the block resource teacher educator of Manikandam block, identified the boy and asked about his age and education. On knowing his background he advised him to join in the NRSTC conducted by SSA. But Bala was very much reluctant and found his petty job important for his life. But the tenacity of the BRTE, who visited the mechanic shop consistently for over a month moved the mind of the young boy towards education. The BRTE also met Bala's family to explain about the facilities offered by SSA at the special center. Finally, the boy agreed to join the **Non-Residential Speical Training Center, PUMS-Somarasampettai (DISE Code: 3315 0402002)** in the year 2013.As Bala Naganathan had forgotton the basics he had learnt, he felt very embarrassed and frightened to be in the special training center. As soon as he joined NRSTC he had become much disciplined than before and could concentrate well on the lessons. The special teacher understood his problem and taught him the fundamentals of reading and writing with patience and care. To make him feel comfortable the special teacher let him mingle with fellow students. Gradually he started to grasp the techniques and felt confident in him. As his confidence level boasted up, he worked hard and started to study the lessons of VIII Std.With the help of the special teacher he prepared for the examinations and appeared for VIII Std examination privately and passed. He felt very happy about his success and with the encouragement gained he prepared for X Std board examination. To the sweet surprise of his well wishers and himself he scored 434 marks in the examination. Now he is proudly studying in the final year Diploma course in computer engineering in MAM College.