



THE LIGHT OF BOOKS

A BOOK DRIVE





ABOUT US

Spinning Wheel Leadership Foundation is a non-profit based out of Udaipur, Rajasthan, seeking to provide students in rural government schools with the life skills that are becoming crucial in the 21st century. Currently working in 11 government senior secondary schools in rural Udaipur, we seek to bridge the lack of access to opportunities and resources students face in inculcating life skills.

ABOUT THE LIGHT OF BOOKS INITIATIVE

The nationwide shutdown of schools due to COVID has significantly impacted the learning opportunities of students in many parts of the country. In rural and remote areas, where digital penetration is negligible this has meant a complete lack of access to any educational opportunities.

This Diwali, The Spinning Wheel Leadership Foundation (SWLF) is launching the "Light of Books" campaign to provide books and other scholastic and co-scholastic leaning material to students in government schools in rural villages of Udaipur. We are seeking to create community libraries in the villages. Some particulars about the initiative are detailed below:

- **Our aim is to procure about 1,000 books for each village, to be a part of the community library.**
- **Each student shall initially be given 1 book. Based on current enrolment figures, this amounts to nearly 500 books being distributed to students initially.**
- **The remaining books will be kept under the care of a lady within the village who shall also monitor and facilitate the exchange of books between students.**

- Given we have been working with these students for a few years now, we are aware of their reading and comprehension ability and will thereby ensure that the books are curated according to their needs and check on the progress being made.
- The initiative helps cultivate a reading culture within the community which enriches and sustains the learning process for students.
- Through this initiative, we will also establish community booths to procure data about the students and their familial conditions during COVID like availability of mobile phones, internet etc. to design our future interventions in these uncertain times.
- Along with books, we will also be providing learning materials on the 7 core life skills literacies that we impart in schools.



FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT

The following is a breakdown of the approximate financial requirement for the initiative **per village** -

Sl.No .	Item(s)	Cost per unit (in INR)	No. of units	Total cost (in INR)
1	Books	15	1,000	15,000
2	Remuneration for caretaker	6,000 (per annum)	1	6,000
3	Book racks for storing books	2,000	1	2,000
4	Printing of learning material	4	500	2,000
TOTAL				25,000/-

BOOKS & LEARNING MATERIAL

Books - We aim to provide students with books which are informative, while being easy to read and fun. We are primarily curating books which facilitate learning beyond textbooks. These could come in various forms - story books, comics, children and youth magazines etc.

Learning material - Our learning material impart our core set of 7 life skills literacies (legal, civic, financial, media, environmental, digital & multicultural) in two distinct manners:

Public Material

- These are large posters, banners and flexes put up in and around public areas like village centres, school and angadwadi buildings etc.
- They contain easily digestible information on critical aspects of life skills literacies for students and adults alike.
- Example - (For legal literacy) A poster providing information on "How to file an FIR?" in an attractive and engaging manner.

Personalised Material

- These are of two kinds - (a) pamphlets and (b) worksheets for students.
- *Pamphlets* - These provide more detailed information on important areas of life skills literacies, in the form of stories, cartoons, comics, trivia etc.
- Example - A pamphlet containing pictorial stories on child rights.
- *Worksheets* - These are complementary to the pamphlets and enable students to apply their acquired knowledge of life skills in performing various fun and engaging activities like drawing picture stories, finishing incomplete stories, puzzles, crosswords etc.

