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Online Quizabled - Knowledge for All Quiz for Children with Disabilities

2020 - 21



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OVERVIEW

The 6th Edition of Quizabled 2020- 21 was organized by Seva-in-Action (SiA) and powered by Larsen and Toubro Infotech Ltd (LTI), Bengaluru in virtual mode, keeping children in mind in this pandemic. This year Quizabled is reached to 4 other Districts & Bengaluru of Karnataka besides Chennai in collaboration with SPASTN, Tamilnadu and Mumbai in collaboration with Sujaya Foundation, Maharashtra.

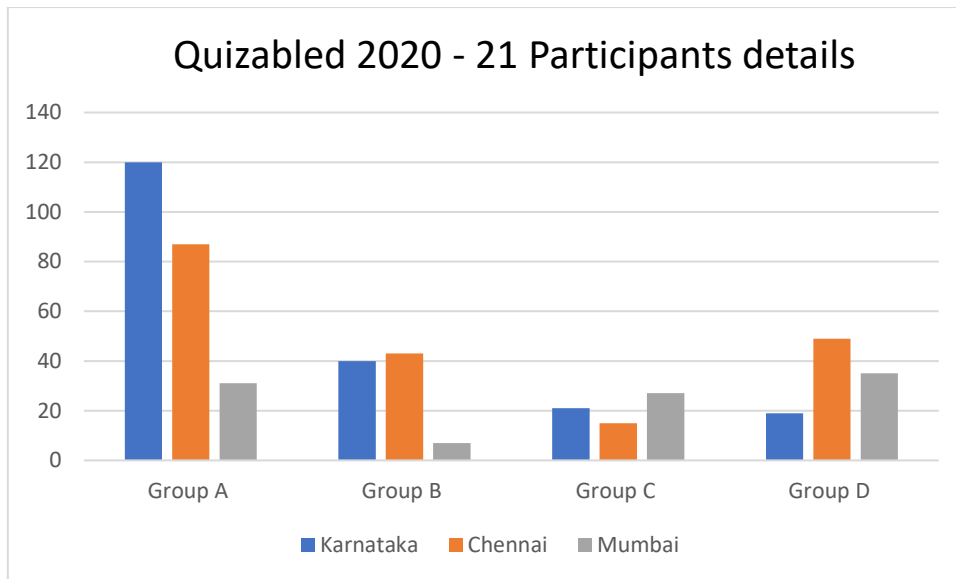
Totally 495 Children & Youth with Intellectual Disability, Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Visual Impairment and Hearing Impairment participated from Karnataka (Bangalore, Mysore, Hubli and Gadag), Tamil Nadu (Chennai, Kanchipuram, Ramanathapuram and Cuddalore) and Mumbai. We have followed necessary protocols during this pandemic situation.

Objective

- To conduct Quiz through digital based platforms in Karnataka – Bangalore & other Districts, Mumbai & Tamilnadu – Chennai & other Districts
- To train special teachers to prepare children with disabilities for online quiz (Karnataka Mumbai & Chennai).
- Developing Quizabled portal for creating awareness and conduct Quiz for Children with Intellectual Disability, Autism and Cerebral Palsy.
- Setting up of Virtual classroom set up at SiA.
- Developing online quizzing format in collaboration with Quizmasters.
- To conduct Quiz for Children with Blind and Haring impairment through digital platform.

DATA - Participants details of Karnataka, Chennai and Mumbai

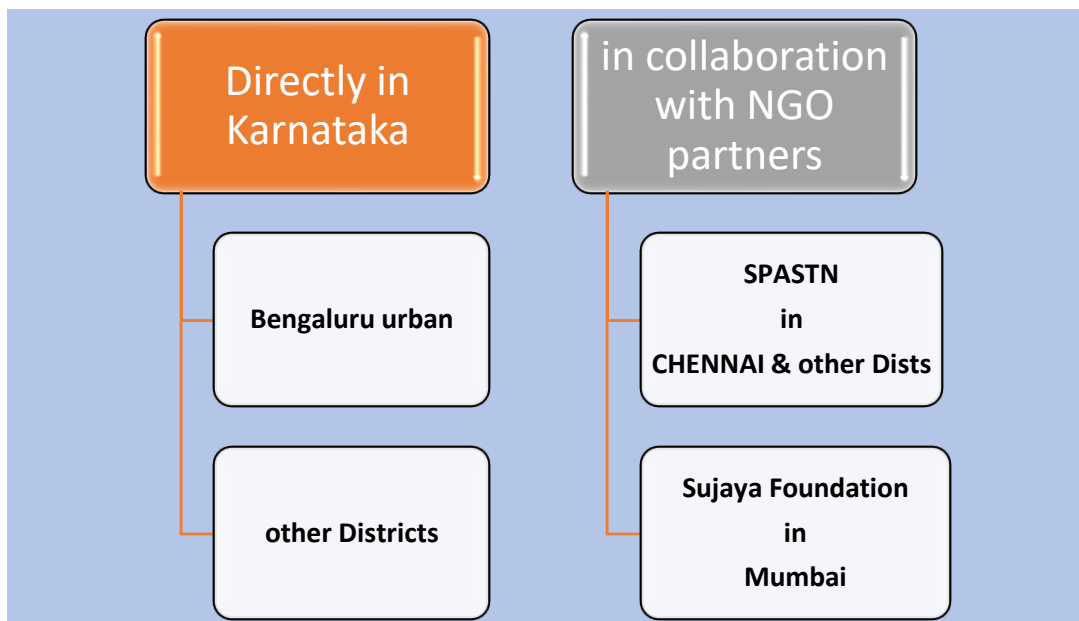
States	Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D	Total
Karnataka	120	41	21	19	201
Chennai	87	43	15	49	194
Mumbai	31	07	27	35	100
Total	238	90	63	103	495



REACHOUT QUIZABLED 2020-21

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MOCK QUIZ FOR GROUP A & B

On 12th Jan 2021, the practice started in the web portal for Group A& B and informed all the teachers to give information to parents to make children to practice the Quiz. Shared the web portal - www.quizabled.com

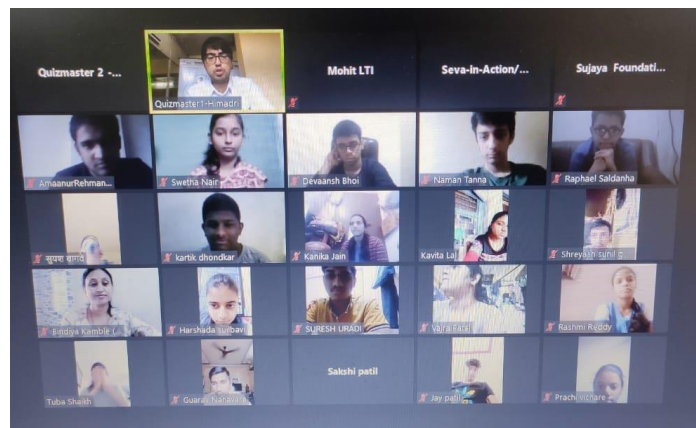
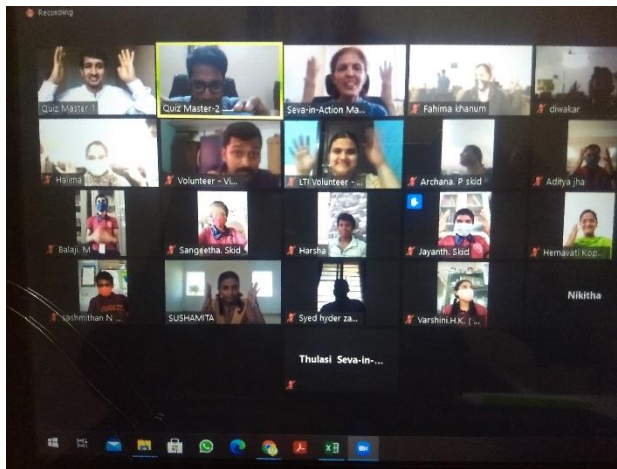
MOCK QUIZ TO COMPETITIVE GROUP (GROUP C & D)

On 22nd Dec 2020, conducted mock Quiz for Children with Hearing Impairment and Visual Impairment (Group C & D). Mr. Himadri and Mr. Surya, Quiz masters conducted the Quiz through zoom



PRELIMINARY ROUND – Virtual Quiz

The Prelims were organized for Children & Youth with Visual Impairment (Group C) and Children & Youth with Hearing Impairment (Group D) through zoom on 23rd Jan 2021. Totally 166 children participated from Karnataka (Bangalore, Mysore, Kalaburagi, Hubli and Gadag), Tamilnadu (Chennai, Kanchipuram and Ramanathapuram) and Mumbai. Six children & youth with disabilities from each category qualified for the finals.



Quizabled Finals

The virtual inauguration was organized with the support of Event Management, the inauguration started with the invocation song by SiA students and inaugural and welcome address by Ms. Ruma Banerjee, Chairperson, SiA. The Chief guest Dr. V. Muniraju, Director, Dept of ED & SC, GOK and the guest of honors



Sustainability, LTI, Mumbai were participated. Ms. Neelambari Rao, Founder, Sujaya Foundation, Mumbai and Ms. L.V. Jayashree, SPASTN, Chennai shared their experience in Quizabled.



Mr. B. S. Saluja, Vice President, Corporate Services, LTI, Mumbai, Ms. Shipra Sharma, Sqn Ldr, IAF, Director, CSR &



VIRTUAL FINALS

After inauguration, the finals were organized for Children and youth with Visual & Hearing Impairment. Mr. Himadri Banerjee, Quiz master from 4 Edge Quizzing solutions conducted the Quiz in Mumbai, Mr. Surya Narayan, Quiz master, Catalyst Quiz Corp conducted the Quiz in Chennai and Mr. Anand Bhat, Quiz master, 4 Edge Quizzing Solutions conducted Quiz in Bangalore. Totally 36 children & youth with children VI & HI participated from three States, finally the winner and runner up were announced in each category from each State.



Challenges

Communicating with Schools due to uncertainty of opening of schools

Reaching to the targeted number

Quizzing format may require changes because it is an event of large number of gathering of participants

Access to online devices by CWDs specially rural children

fixing the dates of PRELIMS and Finals

Overcome

Planned to continue the Quizabled event through online

Talking to school teachers to get their suggestions in preparing CWDs for online Quiz

Developed an exclusive Web Portal for online Quiz

Talking to Quiz masters for quiz formatting quiz

Conducted Non-competitive Quiz for Grp A & B through portal and Competitive Quiz for Grp C & D

POSITIVES

- Great coordination with the school children and teachers from different locations
- The pre work done between the months of October and December was very helpful. Contacting teachers to get an idea of how things are during lockdown helped.
- Event management company helped in putting up a good refined final show. Their Emcee was very helpful.
- Volunteers in all locations exceeded expectations
- Children were keen to adapt to the new system

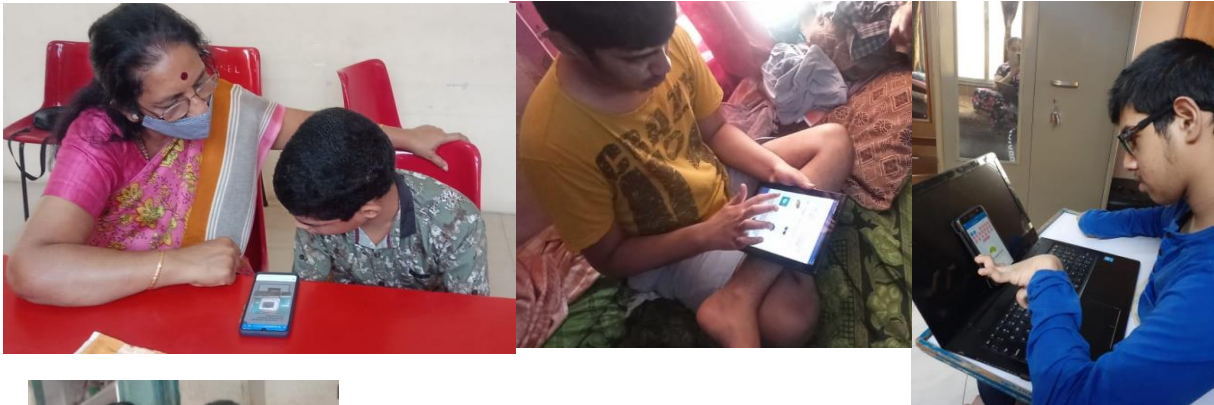
Mr. Himadri Banerjee and Mr. Anand Bhat, Quiz masters, 4 Edge Quizzing Solutions

AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

- As probably mentioned, the network was a big issue in Bengaluru. Due to that the flow of the quiz was highly affected and the final show was hampered due to it.
- The language coordination is something that needs to be worked on from our side and the local translator.
- Online Viewership could be increased.
- A central coordinator for the entire event would be helpful
- One of the quizzes was cut down due to time constraints, so something that we can do while scheduling the event is to ensure ample buffer time to account for delays associated with tech issues.
- In the prelims there were cases of people helping the students so this has to be looked at to ensure fairness for all participants.

ONLINE QUIZ THROUGH WEB PORTAL

The online Quiz was conducted on 23rd Jan 2021 for Children & Youth with Intellectual Disability, Autism and Cerebral Palsy through web portal. On that day the portal was made accessible from 10 am to 10 pm to login anytime to take the quiz and it was on the same day in all the three states. Each participant has been provided login id and password to open the quiz through portal. The questions were in multiple choice and in 4 languages – English, Kannada, Tamil and Hindi. The time allotted for each participant to complete the quiz is 40 min. After submitting the quiz, the E-Certificate can be taken as printout/save pdf by the participant. Totally 301 children participated the quiz in the portal. 27 children could not able to participate because of the personal reasons. The Volunteers' support made accessible to the needy participants.



For the first time, Quizabled went completely virtual. Initially, we did have doubts about how these children would answer if they would know to use their devices. etc. But, after a quick survey, we found that they were pretty aware of the functionalities of Zoom and we took off from there. As with every year, the questions were made a little difficult this year as well. We wanted to bring in a theme this year to help them think within borders. We decided to keep the theme as 2020 since we wanted to try and test if the students are following the news every day. Given that it was streaming online, it would have painted a bad picture had the questions went unanswered. But the kids didn't fail to surprise me. Questions were answered within few seconds and sometimes the kids were aware of things that even normal kids wouldn't be. One such answer was LeBron James which many of my friends aren't aware of.

The positive thing for quizmasters like me is that we don't have to set the questions thinking they are special children anymore. It's going to be of the same level as any regular quiz in the market, and like I said during the quiz, these kids can even win the regular quizzes if they get an opportunity to participate -
Mr. Surya Narayanan, Quiz master, Catalyst Quiz Corp

Karnataka

Feedback from the School Teachers

- We liked the training of teachers for the prior information and preparing students. It is a new learning and usage of technology. We are looking forward for participation and volunteers were also helpful. Children learnt through this medium and the Quiz master hosting was very good. Students were very comfortable with audio visual clarity. - **Shradhanjali Integrated School**
- This year Quizabled is very unique and online Quiz is very new experience to us. The way is program executed is awesome, our teachers and students learned through new concept by attending online Quiz. Questions were very comfortable for children to answer. – **Vikasa Special school**
- Participation was easy and it was also safe as it was online during this pandemic. Children were excited to do this online quiz and it was a learning experience for both teachers & students, in turn it improved our knowledge. - **WARDS special school**
- We would like to congratulate you for successful competition of Quizabled for its online procedure and you are the first to achieve this during Corona crisis – **Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled**

Feedback from the Participants

Thank you for the opportunity, it is a new experience for me to attend the online Quiz. Really excited and gain knowledge. I am happy that I won the prize. – **Bhuvan. M, Sri. Ramanamaharishi Academy for the Blind.**

I was sitting with excitement and eagerly waiting for the Quiz in the Deshpande Foundation. The arrangements were very good and comfortable, I could not answer some of the questions but it is a good experience for me to learn and refer the books in future. Next year I will participate and win the prize. Thanks for the opportunity. – **Nirupadi Gowda, Govt school for the Blind Boys, Hubli.**

It was a wonderful opportunity to help the students to participate in the quiz competition. I was amazed to see the knowledge and intellect they possessed. I could definitely see that a lot of effort had been put by Seva-in-action organization to make this competition a successful one. I was just glad to be a part of it and help the kids showcase their talent on such a big stage. Please keep up the good work and it would be my good fortune to help in the future as well – **Mr. Shamith Shekar, Volunteer in Mysore**

Feedback from the Parents

- Quizabled 2020 – 21 is very good, children enjoyed in participating the Quiz. We as a parent would like to inform other parents regarding Quizabled. Thank you very much for the organizers.
- I am excited the way my son answered the questions and enjoyed the quiz by seeing in the vemi link. It was organized very well. For the first time I saw him directly participating in the Quiz.

Chennai

Feedback from the Teachers

Thank you!! We the parents have to thank you for your tireless efforts of your organization, sponsors and other supporters for the noble initiative of conducting whole heartedly the Quizabled program year after year without any hiccups. Hope this continues. Pranams to all concerned...!! - **Mr. S. Sundararajan – Parent of S. Sridharan, Maithree Special School, Ullagaram, Chennai**

Quizabled. a very good experience and exposure to all the students. It gave our children not only the opportunity to participate but also helped to think wide, kindle their mental, physical abilities, to improve their competency level and brought out their innate intelligence... a good effort by SPASTN. It was well organized and kudos to the team...!! - **Ms. Chithra, Special Educator, Vidyasagar, Kotturpuram, Chennai**

Feedback from the Parents

- My daughter Mahalakshmi studying in NIEPMED participated in your quiz programme and got 18 out of 20. Teacher, SPASTN informed me about this competition and encouraged us to participate in it. It was very useful for my child. You are making our children also to learn the latest technology. Hatts off to you all..! We got the mark sheet and certificate and we are very happy. Thanking you, God bless you...!

Feedback from the Participants

- I am participating in the Quiz competition from the past 3 years conducted by The Spastics Society of Tamil Nadu. Every year they used to conduct as a face to face quizzing competition but this year they conducted online. The questions were creative and wonderful. It was a memorable and enjoyable day for me. Thanks for conducting such a wonderful event...!!! - **STS. Gughan, Sethu Bhaskara Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Chennai**
- I prepared a lot to attempt all the questions in the quiz competition and I tried to answer all the questions in the Preliminary round of Quiz competition conducted online. I thank everyone for giving me this opportunity to improve

my knowledge...! - **Saran Sanjay, Group D – Participant, St. Louis Institute for Deaf and Blind, Adyar, Chennai**

Mumbai

Feedback from the participants

- I am on cloud nine. What I enjoyed the most was the way the quiz was conducted. I was delighted with the arrangements. The volunteers were warm and friendly. Looking forward for many such events in the future! - **Jash Mehta**
- I had a great experience participating in virtual Quizabled. The staff was great and it was managed excellently. I look forward to more such events! - **Pratham Rathod**
- I participated in Quizabled. It was very nice and I could answer all the questions in time. I scored 19. Thanks for giving me this opportunity! - **Renny Ramesh**

Feedback from the Teachers

- Thank you so much for this experience. A very well-organized event! - **Ms. Nilufer from Jai Vakeel Foundation**

Feedback from the Parents

- It was indeed an interesting way to conduct the quiz competition. The parents and children enjoyed to the fullest. The quiz master not only did the job of asking questions but also giving information. Thank you for giving this opportunity to our kids to showcase that talent and also gain confidence!
- I am Sindhu Nair mother of Shweta Nair. We came to know about this event and about Sujaya Foundation from the school authorities. As a parent, I see this type of events and activities boost the mental capacity more. I really appreciate the way the quiz was organized and the hospitality shown to us. Thank you so much to all the members who worked hard to conduct such events and give disabled students an opportunity!

Suggestions to improve

- Time was too long for Mumbai and Chennai round.
- Some questions were too big and could have been farmed in a much shorter way.
- Technical training could have been given as a mock round for 15 minutes before the final.
- Mail intimation could have been better than sending a link which leads to dates of finals and further important information regarding venue and dates of the final round.

- As there was a problem logging in, if it was possible we should have been able to login and check the day before the quizabled so that these kinds of issues will be avoided.

TESTIMONIALS

Seva-in-Action, Bangalore



Name: Dhanush

School Name: Spastics Society of Karnataka

Dhanush N, a student of grade 9 at Learners' Centre, Spastics Society of Karnataka has learning difficulties and therefore joined our institution from the main stream school. He is sixteen years old. He will be registering for taking up NIOS Secondary examinations in the next academic year. Dhanush has good general awareness and likes to participate in quiz and games.

Dhanush's father is no more and mother Usha is a house wife. They are supported financially by family and Dhanush has a younger sister in grade 7. The scholarship amount will be used to purchase mobile for online classes



Name: Yathish Darshan

School Name: Amogh Training Centre

Yathish Darshan is with Amogh since June 2018. He is a person with Intellectual Disability and severe autism. His parents are under BPL category suffering from health problems. He has completed his Tenth standard from Karnataka Board in NIOS. He is a State level gold medal winner in swimming and also plays cricket. He has been a part of Quizabled from 2016 and has been the winner in 2017 from Group B. He is now doing digitization work for Amogh Trust from home. He is skilled at making paper bags, weaving, drawing, and painting. The parents said the scholarship amount will be saved as FD in the bank.



Name: Unnikrishnan

School Name: WARDS, Bangalore

They were native of Kerala. As they did not have work there, they came to Karnataka and settled here. Unnikrishnan's father Late Mr. Mahendran B was depressed and eventually passed away on 7th February 2019. His mother Mrs. Sasikala is a tailor and earns about Rs. 5000/- per month. His brother Mr. Balakrishna has completed his 10th grade and has been working for Swiggy. He had been staying at home without going to school. He speaks and understands English even though his mother tongue is Malayalam. He follows commands and we have put him in our computer centre for training. He also helps in the vocational section with assistance. He also participates in marathons every year and loves coming to school. He likes to purchase materials related to education e.g. puzzles, pattern drawings etc.

Sujaya Foundation, Mumbai, Maharashtra



Name: Aditya

School Name: Swami Brahmanand Pratishthan, Navi Mumbai.

Aditya's mother is a homemaker while father works in an Ayurvedic shop. He is studying in class Primary II. He is a verbal learner and speaks good English. Additionally, he is also good in numbers and has a passion for singing. With suitable therapies and intervention, he is able to follow instructions. He is obedient and hard working. He participated in Quizabled with the training of both the parents and scored 20. He suffers from seizures for which regular medication and doctor consultations. This scholarship amount will be beneficial to cover his medical and educational expenses.



Name: Sarthak

School Name: Jai Vakeel Foundation, Sewri, Mumbai

Sarthak is currently in 10th Std, NIOS. Sarthak's father is a single parent and is 10th std pass working in Air India as a technician. He belongs from a low-income stratum. Sarthak has a younger brother who is also specially abled studying in the same school. Father and son are very happy with Quizabled and feel that it

gave Sarthak a new opportunity in learning about general knowledge. Sarthak scored 17 out of 20 by answering questions on his own. The scholarship amount of INR 5000 will go to Sarthak's bank account and will be used for his education.

SPASTN, Chennai, Tamil Nadu



Name of the student: Akash

School name: St. Louis Institute for Deaf & Blind, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Participating in Quizabled for 3 years in a row is Akash studying in 10th Standard in St. Louis School for Deaf and Blind. "I prepared hard for the Quiz. I tried attempting to all questions that were asked in the online quiz. Please give more opportunities like this for students like me who are hearing impaired. Preparing for Quiz helps us to increase our knowledge and the questions we do know the answer we go and search the correct answer". The prize money will be used for his higher studies.



Name of the student: Bharath, Visually Impaired

School name: Sethu Bhaskara Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Bharat feels he is a veteran of Quizabled participation as this is participation 3rd year in a row. "I have won prizes in the earlier participation. So, I cannot miss out on the yearly event of QUIZABLED organized by SPASTN. Initially I had some difficulties in the online version but I managed. It was new experience and the way questions were asked was both challenging and exciting". The prize amount will be used for his educational purpose.

COLLABORATION WITH NGO PARTNERS

The meetings were organized with NGO partners (SPASTN and Sujaya Foundation)

- Prepare children for online quizzing and the support required both in terms of infrastructure and conducting the online quizzing.
- Discussed about Quizabled web portal and other preparation of the Quizabled

COORDINATION QUIZ MASTERS

The meetings with Mr. Himadri Banerjee, Mr. Surya Narayanan and Mr. Akshath

- Discussion about the quizzing format
- Asked them to share some of the model questions to share with teachers
- Discussion on the trial Quiz for Group C & D
- Discussion on the web portal updates on Quizzing part.

STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGEMENT

Trainings and workshops school teachers for prepare children with disabilities for online quiz

- Shared the cumulative need assessment report to teachers
- Explained about the registration google sheet
- Asked about the preparation of children through online
- Shared about the flyer
- Asked them to share the data of using of android mobile phones with internet connection in the registration format
- Shared about the registration received from the schools
- Presented the model questions of Group A & B and conducted the quiz to teachers.
- Shared about Quizabled web portal (Registration, information about the resources available in the archives.
- Asked teachers to register through portal
- Presented the model questions of Group C & D and conducted the quiz to teachers.
- Asked them to prepare the children for the mock trial quiz

WAY FORWARD

Blended Form Online & Face to Face - to upgrade the Quizabled portal & launch the competition by SiA through digital avatar/online in order to broaden access & encouraging more number of participants. It will also enhance elearning skills.

Making Quizabled PAN India powered by LTI - to reachout to more regions/States & making it an inclusive program by building partnership with differently abled & their representative organisations

Empowering the differently abled - Making Quizabled as a foundation for providing as a platform to plan different services in order to empower the differently abled.