## **SGRWA LIBRARY INAUGRATION – 2 AUG 2015**



**Library Inauguration by Kids** 



**Creative Decoration by Kids** 



**Kids Participating in Drawing Competition** 



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**Volunteers Managing Quiz Competition** 



SGRWA LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS – WOMEN WING



**SMILING CUTE FACES – This was the real Goal to achieve.** 

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Dear Children/Parents/Guardians,

## **Overwhelming response to the Library**

"I ransack libraries, and find them full of sunk treasure"

## Virginia Woolf

It is with immense happiness that we at the SGRWA say a big, big THANK YOU to the truly overwhelming response that we have received for the Library that was inaugurated on August 2, 2015 at the SGRWA office.

What was supposed to be a regular half an hour inauguration function transformed into a whole day stupendously joyous occasion for all of us!

It will not be a farfetched thing to state that without the overly and unconditional enthusiasm shown by the children (who isn't among us?), this would not have been possible. All of us are humbled.

It was arguably the first time ever that the normally dull, aggressive and out of bounds for children and most adults (who are not actively involved in the day to day affairs of the association) had witnessed such unbridled joy, shouts of delight and above all, the coming together of so many residents.

The different events within the ribbon cutting ceremony included – drawing and colouring competition for the children of different age groups; a ritually performed Puja with the temple panditji presiding over it; quiz competition, etc. it started punctually at 9.30 am and extended almost till 2 pm. Again, a first for our society!

Many thanks are due to the various volunteers whose numbers is growing by the day. It is heartening to note that already we have PC, aircondition, chairs, sufficient shelf space, some games, like chess, scrabble, monopoly, etc. And some craft material.

Our gratitude is indeed there for the camaraderie and support shown. From day one when the very idea of opening a Library for the Society germinated, it is you all who have made it happen.

If we think a certain development for the Library will take ten days, the tremendous approval got us to complete the same the very next day.

Today, we have lot of books catering to varied subjects and different age groups, including:

Geronimo Stilton, Goosebumps to Chetan Bhagat, and the international classic Wings of Fire by the just departed former President APJ Abdul Kalam (regarded the world over as one of the greatest scientist and visionary from India, if not the all time great), Stephen Meyer, Alistair Maclean, Sydney Sheldon, Panchatantra, Hitopadesha, fairy tales, Amar Chitra Katha, Danielle Steele, Nora Roberts, Enid Blyton, Bhagwat Geeta, the list goes on and on.

Believe it or not, excluding the monetary contributions that different residents have voluntarily committed, not even a single book has been bought by us using SGRWA money.

## "You were born an Original, Don't die as a Copy" - John Mason

Hundreds of children dressed in their Sunday finery made the day a memorable one for us on the inauguration of the library day. (August 2, 2015)

What can you say about the boundless energy, creativity and urge to express themselves that is found in them. It is simply and truly indescribable.

There were basically two competitions held. The drawing competition was held for the slightly older children (5 - 12 yrs). And the theme was "What I want to be in Life".

About 125 children took part in this event. Now, we do not know whether any of the adults even those with artistic inclinations could have expressed themselves appropriately for the given them in the artistic way. Such was the creative outpouring!

An equally impressive number of younger lot (some of them were cuddly toddlers) were kept busy in the colouring competition. Suddenly the cindrellas and Ben 10s looked far more attractive and original than we have seen in umpteen TV channels and on school bags and T-shirts.

Everyone was happy to see happy kids, everyone appraises participants of Quiz and drawing competitions and Gifs/Awards were awarded to all Winners and Participants.

You will be happy to learn that the printed media like *Daink Jagran*, etc. are also covering this most successful event in our Society. You will get to read about the same in a couple of days time. And you can enjoy the fruits of the labour in the form of colourful memorabilia – images, and video clips shot of the function.

More than others, it is the lovely children of our society who deserve the biggest applause.

SGRWA is thankful to all residents, all contributors and especially the entire SGRWA Library Volunteer Team who took initiative from start to implementation. Cheers to their creativity and thirst for knowledge!

With Best Regards, Team SGRWA!