

SMARTGRAM PROJECT INITIATIVE BY RASHTRAPATI BHAVAN

Students Workshop at Darbaripur Village (September 2017)

The Workshop was held in Senior Secondary School at Darbaripur Village on 8th September, 2017. It was attended by 200 students of the age group 13-18 years.

Sessions were interactive and the topics discussed were

- Helping Students to understand key adolescent issues like substance abuse, peer pressure and the importance of Classroom Management
- Helping them understand different types of substance available and their harmful effects.
- Identification of substance dependence among adolescents.
- Developing a better understanding of peer influence and the role of family-school partnership in the psychosocial development of students.
- Helping and assisting students to overcome peer pressure
- Understanding the role of teachers as a Counselor and facilitator.



Methodology used

- Audio visual presentation on substance abuse and peer pressure inside the **MOBILE CLASSROOM EDUCATIONAL VAN followed by brain storming session.**
- Brain storming on how to deal with the issue of substance abuse and peer influence among students.

Learning outcomes and the road ahead-

- Students expressed their views on variety of substances used in that area. They suggested that there is a need for education of the parents on the issue of substance abuse and there is need for their involvement.
- Alcohol dependence should be taken up as cause for psycho-education.
- There was a suggestion that there should be more workshops and sessions that can educate students regarding the issue of substance abuse and peer influence.