

## **Case Study: Govt Girls High School Gharibabad Nawabshah**

### **Education Sector**

The education department of the district is working under the control and supervision of the Executive District Officer (Education) Nawabshah.

The EDO is the head of the department and is working with the assistance of District Officers Education HQ, District Officers, Deputy District Officers Education, and Assistant District Officers Education along with admin, accounts, lower and supporting staff as well.

This office has administrative control over all the educational institutions, which consists of primary, secondary, higher secondary schools, colleges, technical institutions and these all are working under the district government.

The Govt Girls High School Gharibabad is the oldest institute in District Nawabshah and a good number of students belonging to high class families have been educated at this institute. The institute is located in the most populated area; therefore it needs additional class rooms along with repairs and rehabilitation of existing rooms.

On signing the MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) with SDSSP and District Government Nawabshah, Ms. Farayal Talpur showed her keen interest in proposing and approving this scheme for repair and rehabilitation of additional class rooms under the SDSSP Conditional Grant 2004-05. The scheme's estimated cost of civil works was Rs 1.100 million and as soon as funds were released, the work was started immediately and it was completed in November 2006.

A visit to Govt Girls High School was arranged on 11-01-2007. The school is situated in UC 2. During the visit, a meeting was also held with the school head mistress, who has been serving there for 18 years. Ms Afroze Begum Ansari, the school headmistress, welcomed us warmly and appreciated the efforts of the SDSSP and its staff members in civil works related to education.

The civil works which are being carried out in the area is not fulfilling the entire needs of the students and there a great need for improvement in the Govt Girls High School Gharibabad.

### **Enrollment of Girl Students**

The current enrollment of students at the Girls High School Gharibabad is 625 as compared to the year's 580, which shows that enrollment is continuously growing. But there is still room for improvement in this particular unit of the education department. The headmistress informed us during the visit to the school that 4 more class rooms are needed as 137 girls are studying in just one tenth grade class while 87 students are studying in seventh grade class. She also said that teachers for science subjects are also needed. Moreover, she also added that teachers for conducting extra curricular activities such as home economics for girls and sports are needed as well. Among other requirements, she said that water coolers, dispensers for hot weather, one sweeper and one chowkidar are needed as well. Other activities like Nazara, sports, and home economics are being run smoothly and in an organized manner. Talking about the grades of the students, the headmistress said that this year the result of tenth class was top among the rest, as five students secured A1 grades. The girls are also taking keen interest in education and extra curricular activities and in regard a high school competition was also organized in which all the students were coached and encourage participating in this event.

The headmistress expressed that she is very hopeful and determined to impart good quality education to all students and she thanked the District Government and the Zila Nazima for their cooperation in this regard.

### ***Conclusion***

The newly constructed block was in good working condition but there are few things which are still needed such as furniture.

A few complaints were also recorded such as that the science laboratory did not have electricity and drinking water facilities. The floor is not tiled therefore it is damaged; the material used for the roof was not new but used old material like scrap iron.