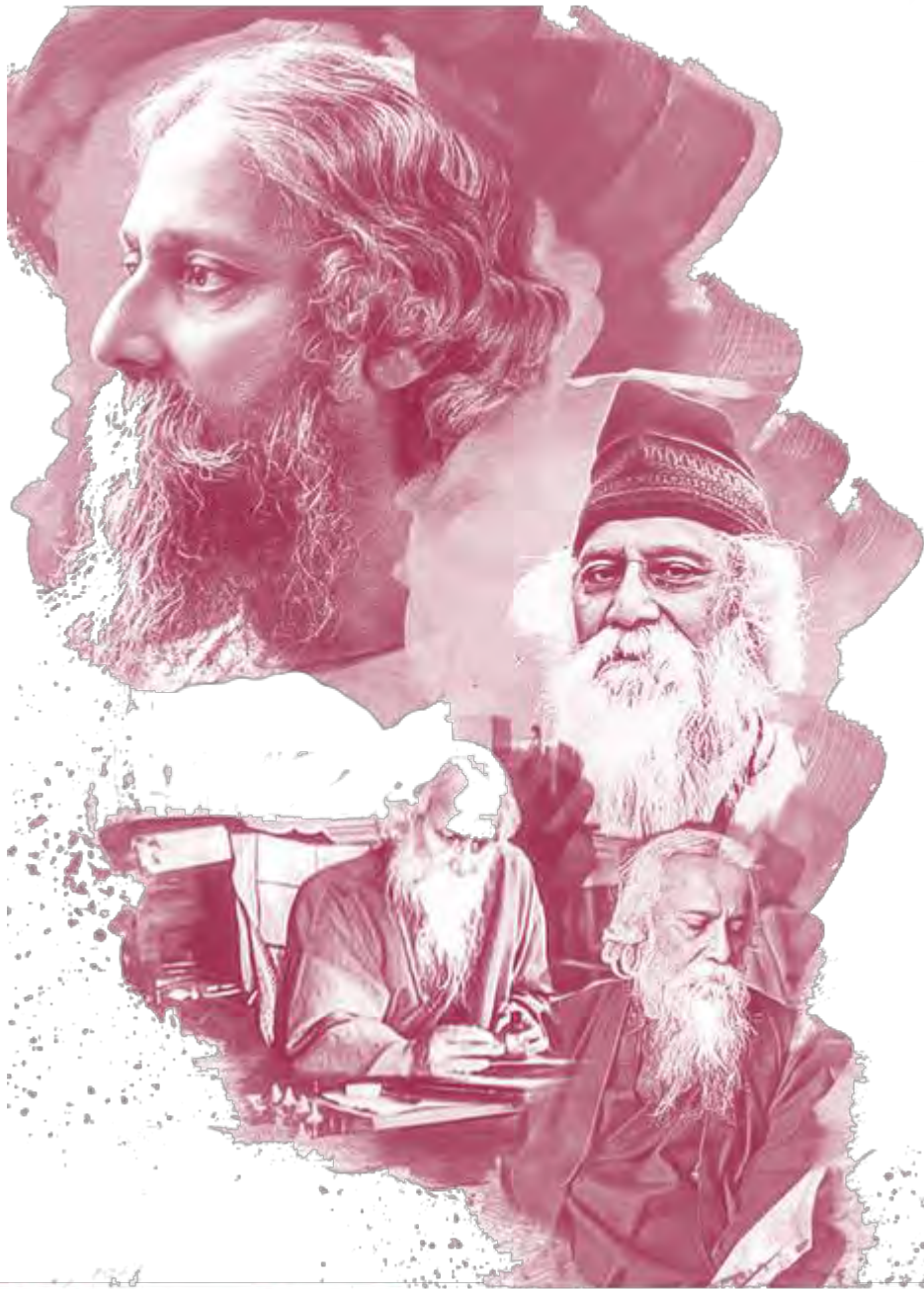




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*“The highest education is that which does not merely give us information but makes our life in harmony with all existence.”*

**~ RABINDRANATH TAGORE**

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## Message from the Hon. Chairman, SPKF



In 2020-21, all schools remained closed due to Covid-19 pandemic. So, the students staying in rural areas suffered the most. The **Teacher on Call** program emerged as a savior for the students having no internet access or low bandwidth. In order to reduce the plight of the students and help them in a better way, the Teacher on Call program extended its service hours from 9 AM to 9 PM. During this period many school teachers and interested individuals joined this program voluntarily with an aim of helping the students at the hour of need.

Following the West Bengal model, the Teacher on Call program was launched through Faridabad Education Council in Haryana in April 2020 which has been running successfully benefitting the students of Government schools of Faridabad during pandemic and thereafter. In Haryana, a total of 9350 students are registered to avail the facility provided through 357 participating teachers.

Keeping in mind the students' demand to include classes 11 and 12 in the program, Science subjects in Higher Secondary level were added from July 2020 in the West Bengal module. Additional teachers were recruited for catering the queries from students belonging to science stream including queries related to different competitive examinations.

In 2021, Sahaj Path introduced a contest where it was announced that the most active and inquisitive participants in the program would be awarded with prizes and certificates, with the intent to keep the students motivated.

Sahaj Path has also celebrated virtually the 4<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day of the Trust along with Tagore's birthday during the pandemic. Everyone's participation has made the event a grand success.

I hope that the Teacher on Call program will reach greater heights in the next financial year. I would like to thank each and every individual associated with Sahaj Path including the Trustees, Directors, Donors, Teachers, Supporters and the entire Team for accomplishing the mission of the organization and taking it forward to a new level.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'S. Brahmachari'.

**Prof. Samir K Brahmachari**  
Chairman, SPKF



## Our Vision

Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation (SPKF), a not-for-profit organization, aiming to provide inclusive and quality education for all, believes that quality education is the foundation of sustainable development.

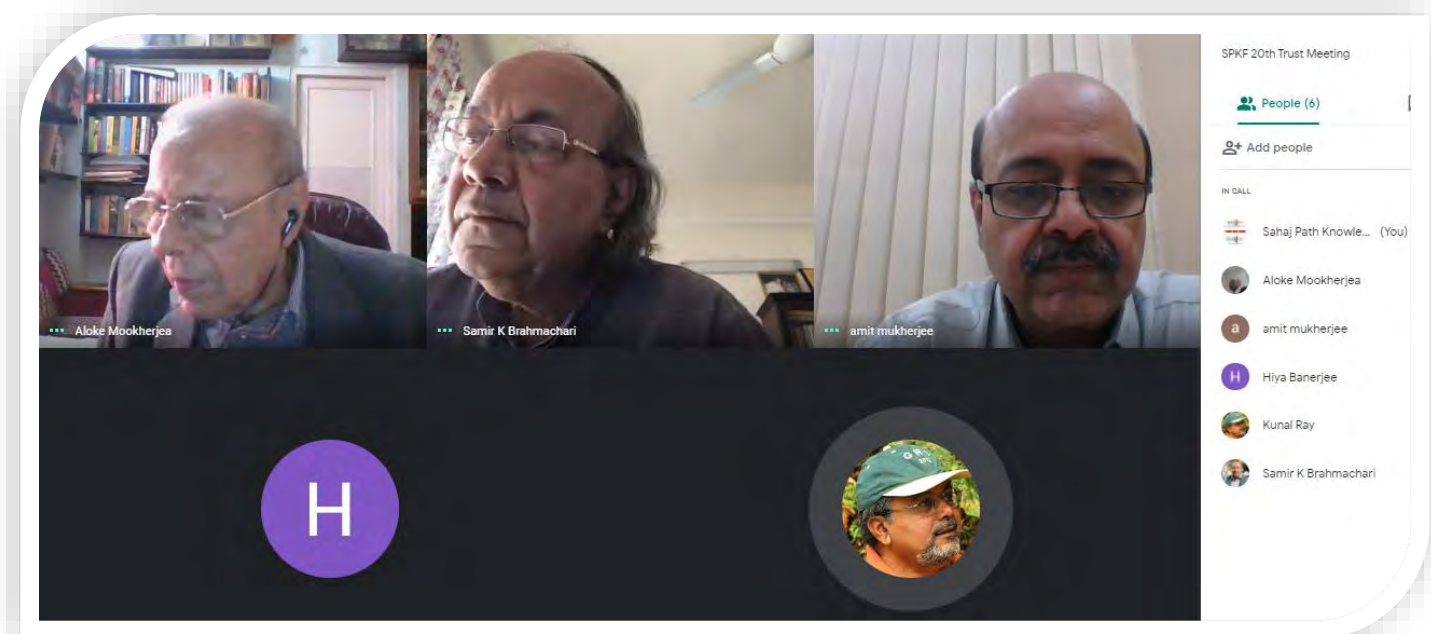
## Our Mission

As technological advancements weave into society, the Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation encourages the curiosity for learning and creates opportunities for the students to access the advanced resources for quality education on a real time basis.

Thus, it can fulfill and sustain the development goal of 'access to quality education for all' including building confidence, inculcating a sense of compassion and kindle creativity.

## SPKF Trust Meetings

In the financial year 2020-2021, four Trust Meetings were held through video conference due to the ongoing pandemic. The 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Meetings of the Trust took place on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2020, 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2021 and 27<sup>th</sup> March 2021, respectively. All the meetings were conducted in the presence of the Chairman, the Trustees, the Directors and the Secretary of the Trust. Discussions were held regarding the proceedings, activities and future plans of the Trust.



**SPKF Trust Meeting on February 13, 2021**



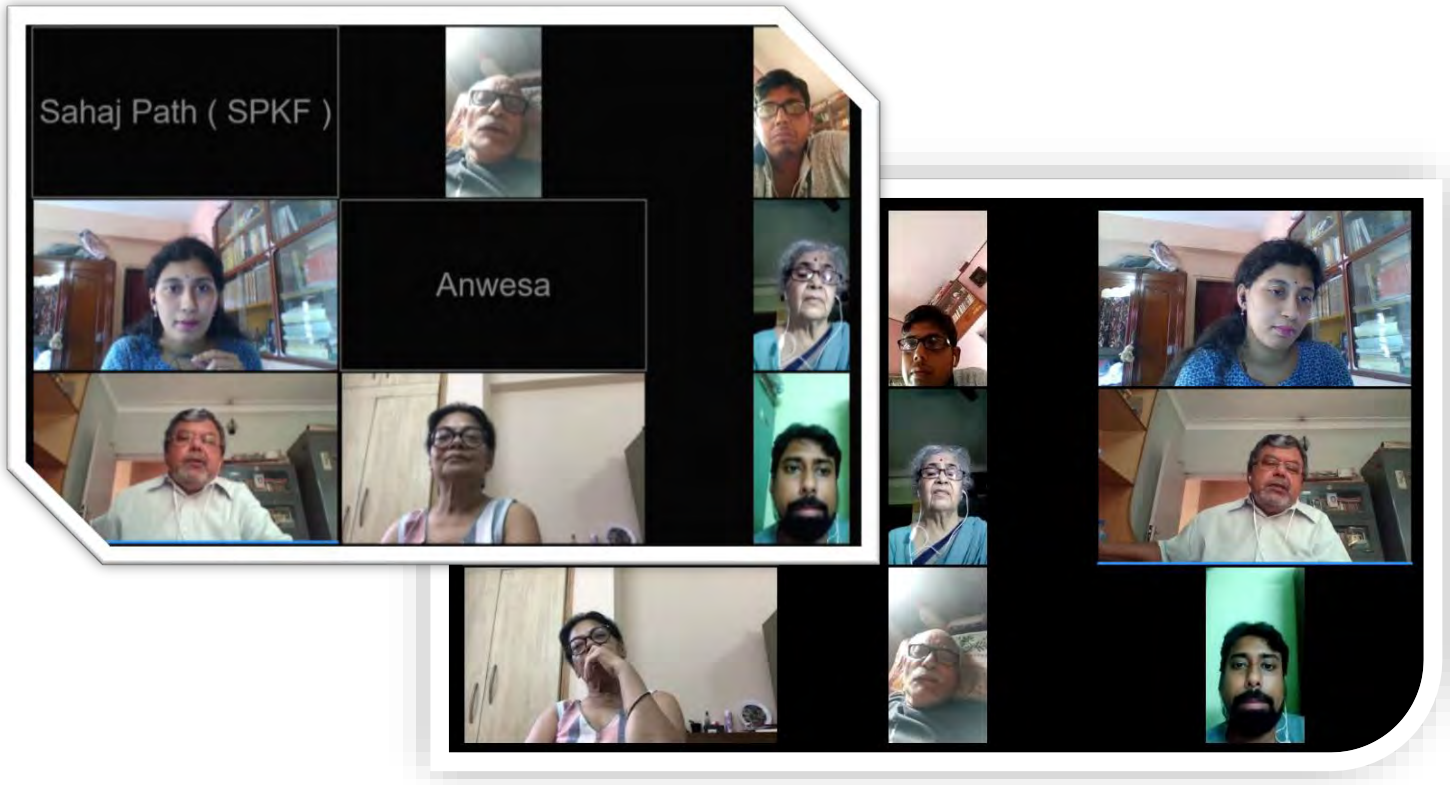
**SPKF Trust Meeting on March 27, 2021**

Trustees	Trust Meetings (FY 2020-21)			
	18 <sup>th</sup> Meet May 30, 2020	19 <sup>th</sup> Meet Dec 2, 2020	20 <sup>th</sup> Meet Feb 13, 2021	21 <sup>st</sup> Meet Mar 27, 2021
Prof. Samir K Brahmachari <i>Chairman of the Trust</i>	Present	Present	Present	Present
Shri Aloke Mookherjea <i>Trustee</i>	Present	Present	Present	Present
Shri Amit Mukherjee <i>Trustee &amp; Treasurer</i>	Present	Present	Present	Present
Shri Kalyan Kar <i>Trustee</i>	Present	Present	Present	Present
Dr. Kunal Ray <i>Trustee &amp; Hony. Director (Projects)</i>	Present	Present	Present	Present

**Table 1 – SPKF Trustees’ Presence in All Trust Meetings**

## SPKF Teachers' Meetings

Four subject specific virtual meetings were conducted with SPKF Teachers on 25<sup>th</sup> July and 1<sup>st</sup> August 2020 (two meetings each day) where they were apprised about the recent developments and future plans of the organization. Feedback and suggestions received from the Teachers have already been taken into consideration for further improvements of the services.



**SPKF Volunteer Teachers Meeting**

## About the Students

Sahaj Path Teacher-on-Call service has made learning easy for students who have no one to help to clear their doubts at home or during closure of the school. It takes just a call to get the required support from experienced Teachers. The services of Sahaj Path have been particularly helpful for the students from rural Bengal belonging to poor families who cannot afford to have smartphones or internet facilities. They can take the help, free of cost, just by using a feature phone without any internet.

Out of such students, those who have a high level of participation in this service along with excellent results are awarded scholarships by the organization.

## About the Teachers

Teachers are the main pillars of the Teacher-on-Call program. Currently 60 teachers are providing assistance to the students on a voluntary basis. Students are immensely benefited from their caring support and valuable guidance. Individuals from different backgrounds such as School Teachers, Professors, Retired Scientists, Retired Professionals and Homemakers have come forward to extend their help towards the needy children with a desire to do something worthwhile for the society.

## Our Volunteer Teachers

- ❖ Dr. Aditi Nag Chowdhury
- ❖ Shri Ajoy K. Brahmachari
- ❖ Shri Amalendra Chakraborty
- ❖ Shri Amit Ghosh
- ❖ Smt. Anwesa Das
- ❖ Shri Archi Mohan Sikdar
- ❖ Shri Arnab Bhattacharya
- ❖ Shri Asis Manna
- ❖ Shri Asit Baran Giri
- ❖ Shri Bidhan Chakrabarti
- ❖ Shri Bidyut Ghosh
- ❖ Shri Biplab Mahato
- ❖ Shri Biresh Layek
- ❖ Smt. Bishnupriya Mozumder
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- ❖ Shri Tapas Jana
- ❖ Shri Tushar Kanti Mandal



## Projects

### Teacher on Call

The idea of the unique project is the brainchild of Prof. Samir K. Brahmachari who thought that the dire need of educating underprivileged children can be achieved by creating a bridge between them and the educated group of people keen to provide help. Therefore, to generate opportunities by using technological innovation to break the barrier of communication and consistent with vision, SPKF started a program called 'Teacher on Call'.

**Teacher on Call** is an educational help desk for the students with curiosity.

**Classes served:** V to XII

**Subjects covered:** Physical Science, Life Science, Mathematics and English (V – X)  
Science Stream and English (XI – XII)

**Time for the service:** 9 AM to 9 PM (seven days a week).

The Teacher on Call program has made every effort to reach students in need during the ongoing pandemic. While the schools have been closed and students from rural Bengal can hardly attend online classes, they have been able to resolve their queries with the help of Teachers over phone. During this challenging situation, many teachers have joined this initiative with a motive to support the students to continue with their studies through this platform.

### Snapshot of Sahaj Path (2020-21)

❖ No. of new students registered in WB	:	447
❖ No. of schools these students belongs to	:	254
❖ Total calls from registered students in WB	:	16,338
❖ Total Teachers empanelled in WB	:	60
❖ Districts covered in WB	:	21
❖ Launch of Teacher on Call in Haryana on	:	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2020

## **Role of Teacher on Call program during the ongoing pandemic**

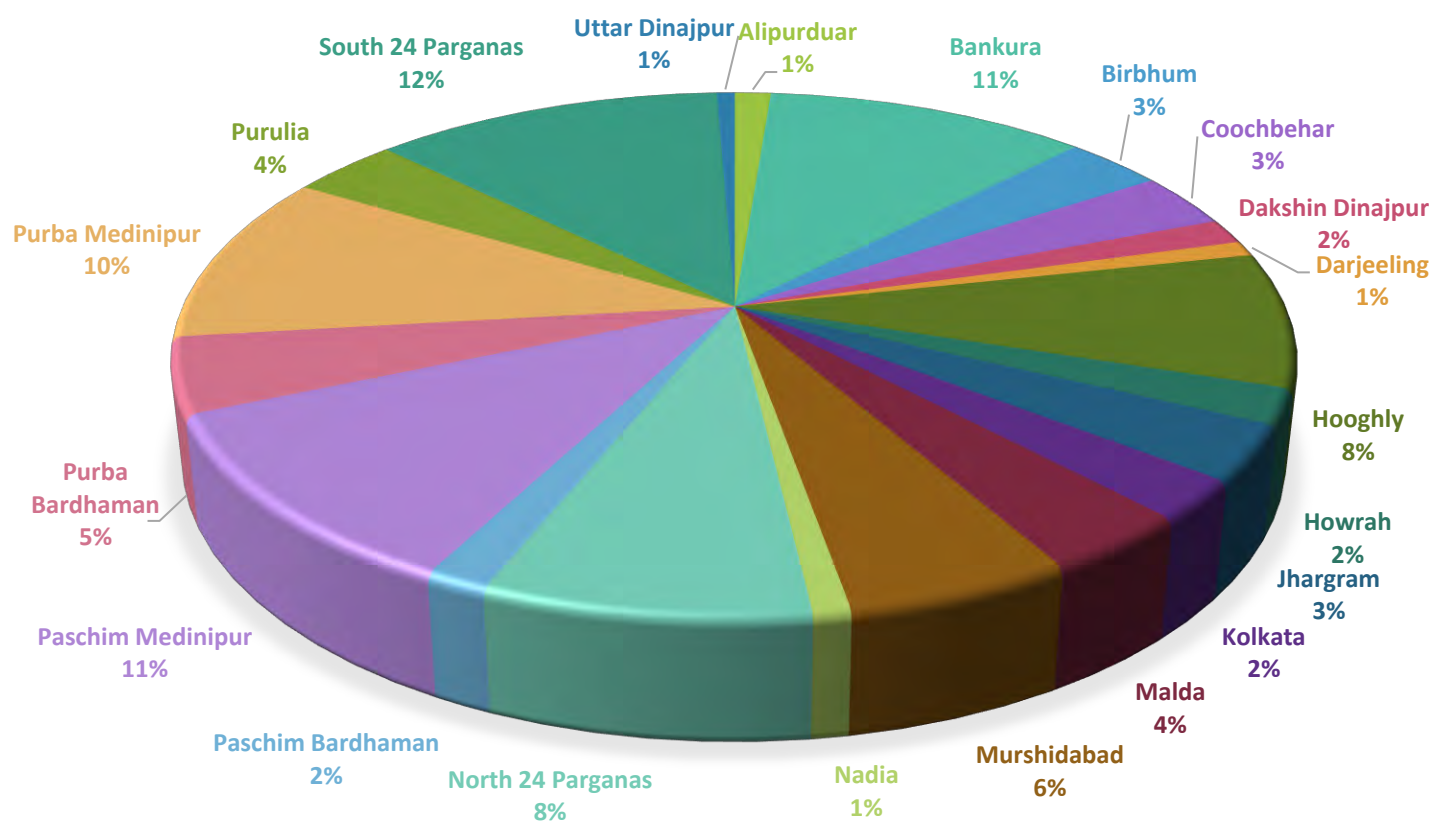
As a fallout of the pandemic situation resulting from spread of Covid-19 was closure of the schools for indefinite period. The formal education system came to a grinding halt. Later when the online education was being offered as an immediate remedial effort, this facility remained essentially out of reach for the underprivileged children who lacked smartphones and/or stable internet facility and its affordability. Under such circumstances, the Teacher on Call program of Sahaj Path was the only relief for the school students to clear their doubts. In addition, curious and keen students got personal attention, much like private tutors, from the voluntary teachers of Sahaj Path.

Sahaj Path extended its support hours from 9 AM to 9 PM, 7 days a week to help the students during the pandemic. Students found the Teacher on Call program to be reliable where they were being taught and guided by teachers with utmost care and compassion. Also, parents of the students have been engaged in conversation with the Teachers as and when needed.

Prof. Samir K. Brahmachari, the Honorable Chairman of Sahaj Path made a public appeal through social media to come forward and join this initiative voluntarily to help the students during the ongoing pandemic. The response to this appeal was very encouraging, resulting in the participation of many school teachers, retired individuals and young aspirants who were ready to contribute their time and efforts to reach out to the students seeking their help.

## Statistics: West Bengal

Data analytics highlights the details of the proceedings of the Teacher on Call program. It gives an idea of the total number of interactions among Teachers and students, the total duration and volume of calls, students' participation in terms of districts, subjects, and classes.

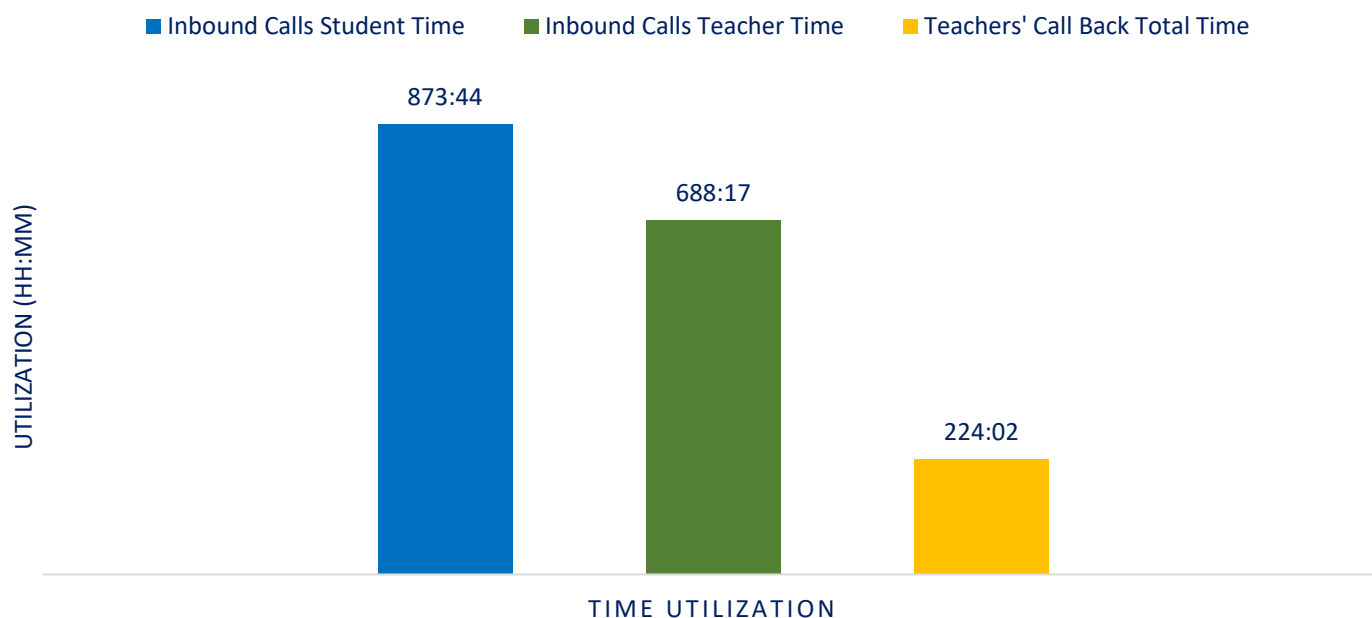


**Figure 1 – District wise distribution of students' registration under Teacher on Call program**

- ❖ Students registered from all across West Bengal.
- ❖ Twenty-one districts have been recorded under FY 2020 – 21.
- ❖ South 24 Parganas stands top among all districts with 12% registration.
- ❖ Bankura & Paschim Medinipur stands second with 11% registration.
- ❖ Purba Medinipur stands third with 10% registration.

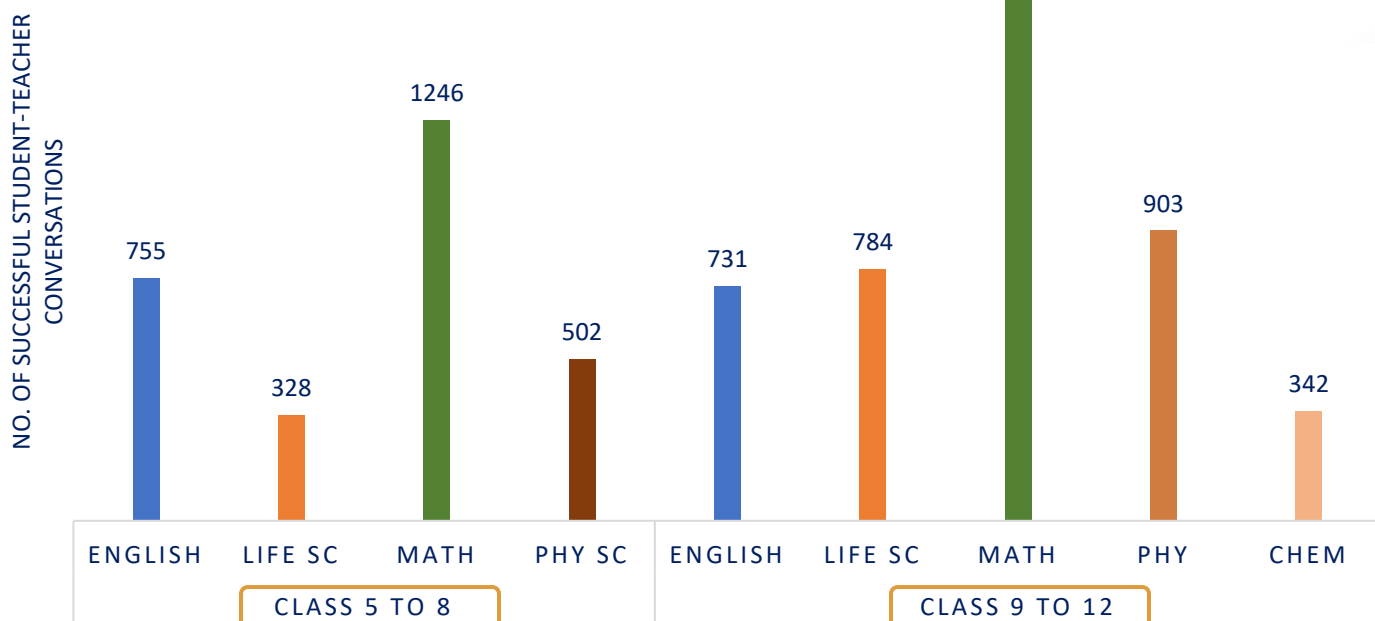
	STUDENTS' QUERIES	TEACHERS' CALL BACK
TOTAL CALLS	16338	1622
SUCCESSFUL	6486	744
TEACHER MISSED	715	--
STUDENT MISSED	--	707
STUDENT ERROR	7598	--
OTHERS	1539	171

**Table 2 – Call details: No. of calls attempted by Students & Teachers under Teacher on Call program**

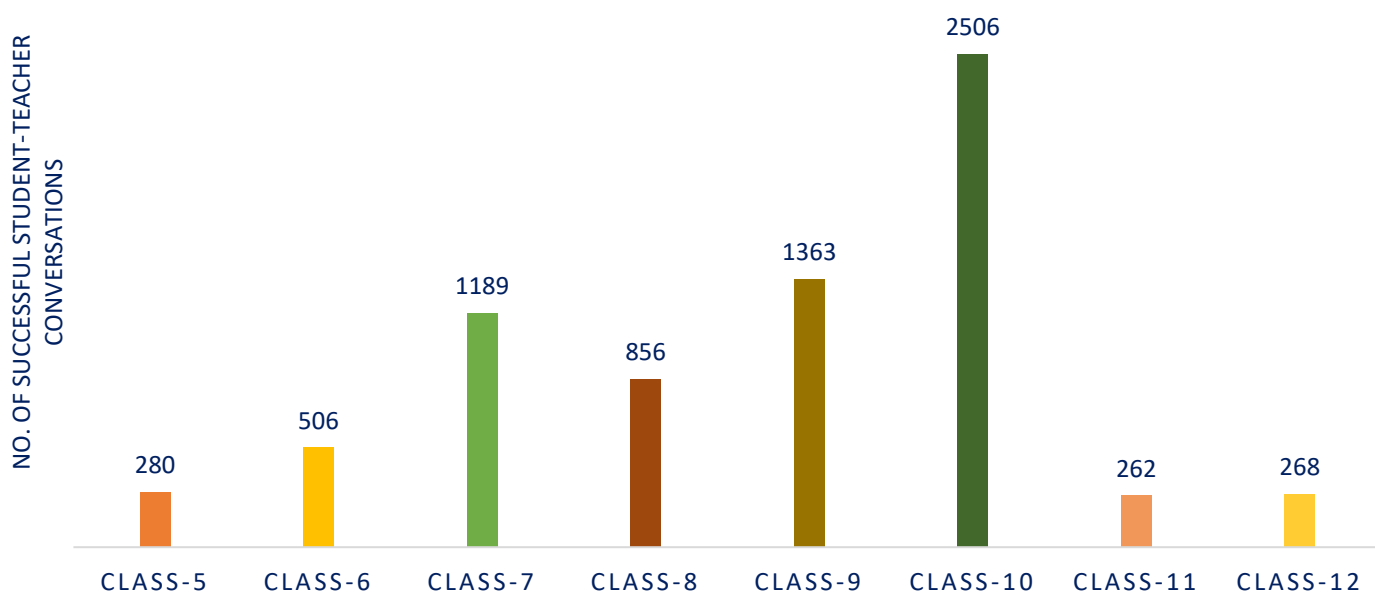


**Figure 2 – Call details: Number of hours used for Students Teachers conversations**





**Figure 3 –Subject specific distribution of registered students' queries under Teacher on Call program**



**Figure 4 – Class wise distribution of registered students' participation under Teacher on Call program**

## Haryana

Faridabad Education Council (FEC) in collaboration with Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation (SPKF) has brought Teacher-on-Call project to Faridabad, Haryana to help Government school students. Students can reach out to teachers by dialling a Teacher-on-Call Toll free number. Teachers resolve queries and allow students to excel in their academic pursuit.

This educational help desk provides full support to the students with curiosity. Teachers are available from 5 PM to 8 PM from Monday to Saturday and 9 AM to 9 PM on Sunday. Students of classes VI, VII, VIII, IX and X are catered. Queries from subjects such as Science (Physical Science, Life Science), Social Science, Mathematics & English are welcome.

### Teacher on Call Project by FEC Launched by DC Faridabad

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Delhi/NCR: The 'Teacher on Call' project that has been running successfully for three years in West Bengal is today launched for government school students (class VI to X) of Faridabad by Sh. Yashpal Yadav, Joint Deputy Commissioner of Faridabad through an online launch program attended by around 150 educationists, corporate leaders, students and media representatives. 'Teacher on Call' is an educational help desk for the students with curiosity. In this program teachers are available on call - 7 days a week. Students of class VI to X of the Faridabad District can call on the Toll Free number 1800 890 6006 for queries in Mathematics, Science, Social Science & English and will get connected to a well-qualified and experienced subject teacher, who would answer his/her queries over the call. While addressing the gathering, Sh. Yashpal Yadav appreciated the role of Manav Rachna in transforming the education landscape of Haryana. He complimented Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation and the Faridabad Education Council for launching this project in Faridabad at such a crucial time and expressed hope that this would go a long way



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In improving the education standards and student performance in the region. The toll-free service will be beneficial for underprivileged children of the state. Thus, the project will identify and nurture nascent talent who otherwise may not be able to realize their

full potential. While interacting through VC with the Impressive Times, Dr. Prashant Bhalla, President, MREI shared that the project shall promote self-learning, creativity and will help nurture nascent talent which otherwise may not be able to realize its full potential. He said the project would promote student-centered activities such within the student community which will meet regularly to experience and explore various streams of education. He said we are making efforts to promote the adoption of these learning

scenarios at the national level. The 'Teacher on Call' facility brings educational support to the first-generation learners when schools are closed in order to meet the challenge of COVID-19 pandemic. The Video

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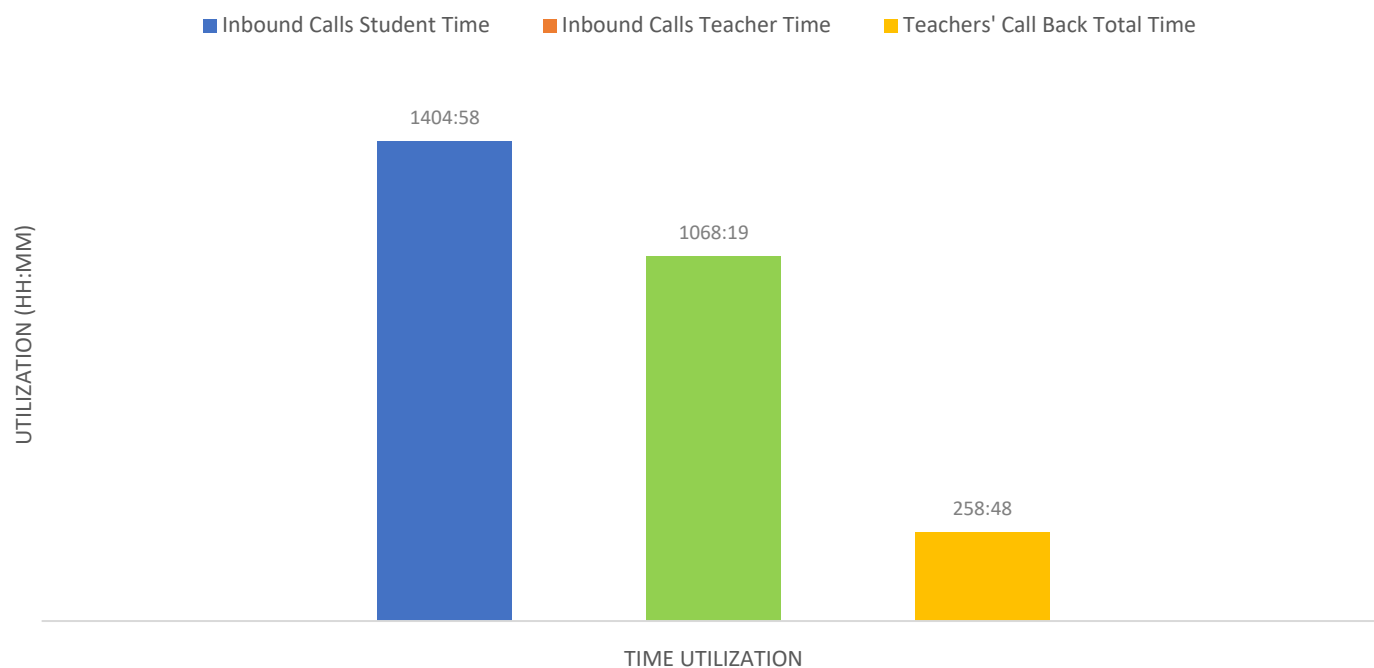
Conference was joined by the members of Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation – Mr. Navdeep Chawla, Mr. K. Jain, Mr. Narendra Aggarwal, Dr. Rakesh Gupta, Dr. Amit Bhalla, Dr. N. C. Wadhwa, Prof. Dr. Sumit Ramacharya and other dignitaries.

Teacher-on-Call program in Faridabad, Haryana was introduced on April 25, 2020 by Hon. Deputy Commissioner, Faridabad Dist. Shri Yashpal Yadav along with Dr. Prashant Bhalla President-MREI, Prof. Samir K Brahmachari Chairman-SPKF, Dr. N C Wadhwa Director General-FEC and other dignities from MREI, SPKF, FEC in presence of print media.

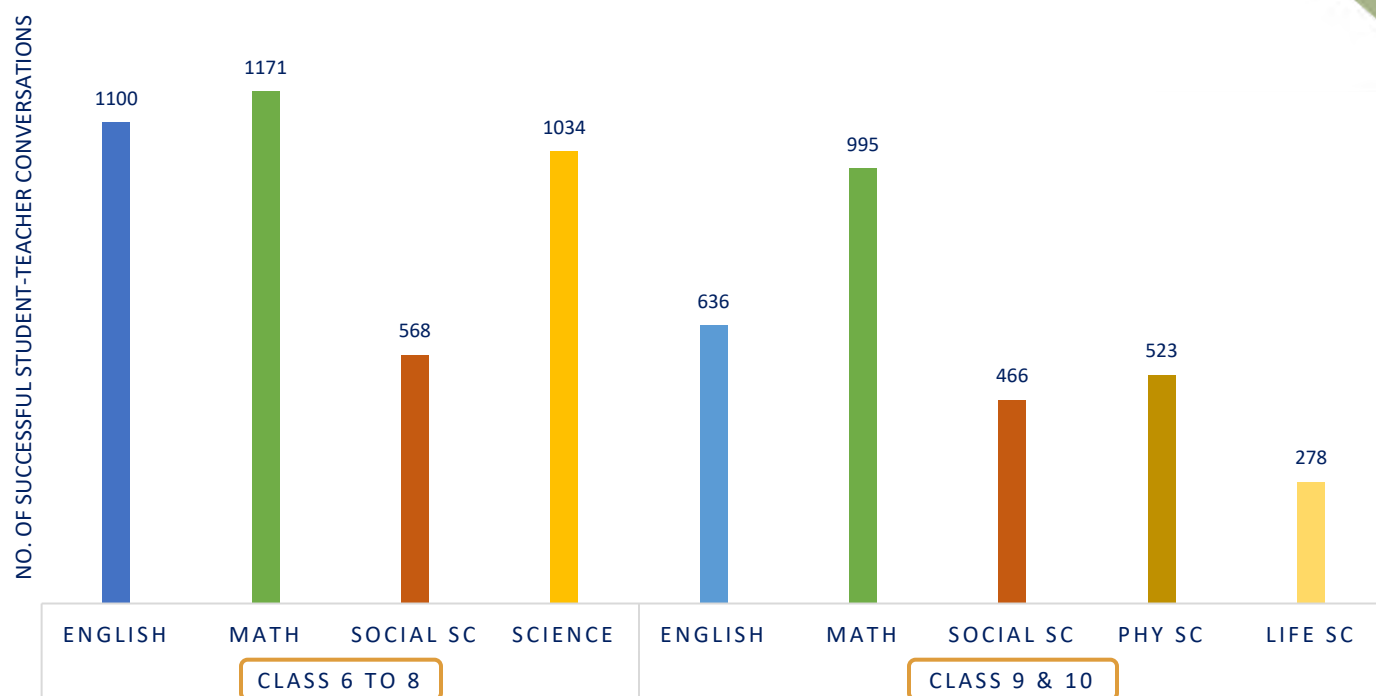
## Statistics: Haryana

	STUDENTS' QUERIES	TEACHERS' CALL BACK
TOTAL CALLS	19603	1239
SUCCESSFUL	6202	569
TEACHER MISSED	1600	--
STUDENT MISSED	--	534
STUDENT ERROR	10703	--
OTHERS	1098	136

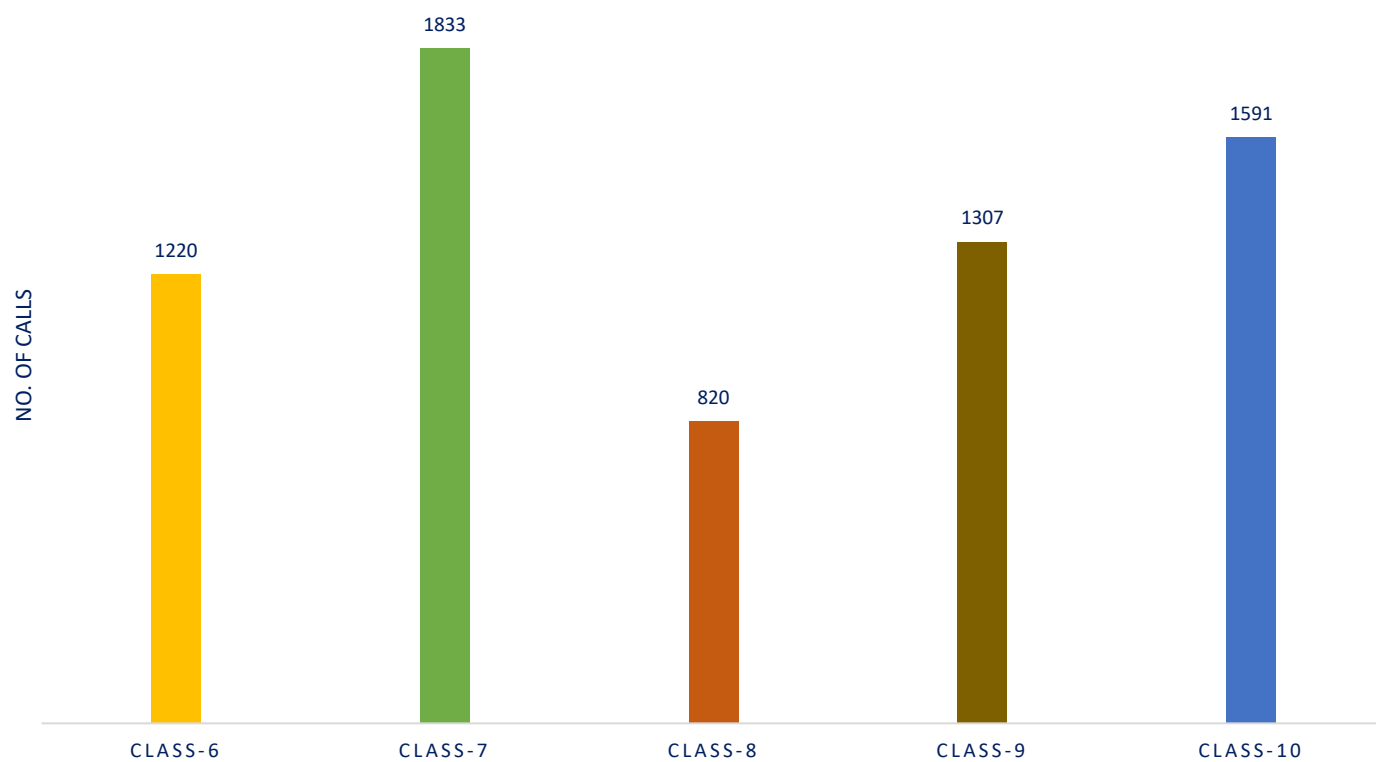
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**Figure 6 – Subject specific distribution of registered students' queries under Teacher on Call program**



**Figure 7 – Class wise distribution of registered students' participation under Teacher on Call program**



## Key Supporters who strengthened us in 2020–21

	Details of the Donor	Donation (INR)
	M/S Premas Biotech Pvt Ltd New Delhi	CSR Contribution
	Manav Rachna Educational Institutions (MREI) Faridabad, Haryana	12,00,000.00
	New Garia Development Cooperative Housing Society Ltd Kolkata	5,000.00
	Dr. Kunal Ray Kolkata	20,000.00

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All donations to Sahaj Path are exempt under section 80G(5)(vi) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 vide Approval No.: CIT(EXEMPTION), KOLKATA/80G/2019-220/A/10595 and Order No. ITBA/EXM/S/80G/2019-20/1022024961(1) both dated Dec 10, 2019.

### **As a Volunteer**


Educated Housewives, Retired teachers and Professionals who are willing to teach students on a voluntary basis.



**Faridabad Education Council**  
&  
**Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation**



**Invite you for the online launch of**



**Teacher on Call Project**  
 (Toll-Free subject query helpline for Government  
 school students from Class 6 to 10)  
**April 25 (Saturday) at 10:45 am**

**Online launch by:**

**Sh. Yashpal Yadav, IAS**  
*Hon'ble Deputy Commissioner, Faridabad*

**In presence of:**

**Dr. Samir K. Brahmachari**  
*Chairman, Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation  
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