



# SAHAJ PATH KNOWLEDGE FOUNDATION

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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



I am honored to address you in this annual report, reflecting on the strides we've made in our free educational program for underprivileged school students.

In the past year, our free educational program has been a beacon of hope for countless young minds, providing them not only with academic knowledge but also with the financial support to dream beyond their circumstances.

Our journey into the heart of rural communities has been marked by resilience and a deep sense of purpose. Through Tollfree telephonic medium and cloud based IVRS technology without using any internet or any smart phone we have established the bridge of knowledge, breaking barriers that have long hindered the academic aspirations of the underprivileged school children. Through our innovative teaching methods on audio mode, dedicated experienced passionate voluntary Teachers are fostering an environment where education transcends the confines of the classroom, reaching the very core of each student's potential and identity such talent in the rural government schools.

None of these accomplishments would be possible without the invaluable support of our dedicated team, passionate experienced volunteer Teachers and generous donors. Your commitment to our cause has been the driving force behind our success, and I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you.

As we look ahead, let us remain steadfast in our mission. The road to educational equality is long, but with determination and a shared vision, we can continue to make a lasting impact on the lives of those who need it most. Our work is not just about teaching subjects; it's about instilling confidence, nurturing aspirations, and unlocking the vast potential within each student.

Every child we educate is a step closer to a more enlightened and empowered society. Let us press on, knowing that the seeds we plant today will blossom into a garden of opportunities for generations to come.

Thank you for your unwavering support.  
Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "S. Brahmachari".

Prof. Samir Kumar Brahmachari  
Chairman  
Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation

## Our Vision

Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation (SPKF), a public charitable trust, aiming to provide inclusive and quality education for all including scholarships, 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 school going children, the first-generation learners to access the advanced resources for quality education on a real time basis and offer financial assistance to deserving students, enabling them to pursue higher education seamlessly and achieve their aspirations.

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 2022-23, three trust meetings were held. All the meetings were conducted in the presence of the Chairman of the Trust, the Trustees and the Secretary of the Trust resulting in fruitful discussions about the developments, current activities and future plans of the Trust.



*Pic -1: Chairman, SPKF, Prof. Samir Kumar Brahmachari, Dr. Kunal Ray, Trustee & Hony Director (Projects), Mr. Surajit Roy, Trustee are in discussion during SPKF Trust meeting.*



*Pic -2: Chairman, SPKF, Prof. Samir Kumar Brahmachari, Mr. Amit Mukherjee, Trustee & Treasurer, Mr. Alope Mukherjea, Trustee are in discussion during SPKF Trust meeting.*

Trustees	Trust Meetings (FY 2022-23)		
	26 <sup>th</sup> Meet Nov 26, 2022	27 <sup>th</sup> Meet Dec 31, 2022	28 <sup>th</sup> Meet Feb 18, 2023
<b>Prof. Samir K Brahmachari</b> <i>Chairman of the Trust</i>	Present	Present	Present
<b>Shri Alope Mookherjea</b> <i>Trustee</i>	Present	Present	Present
<b>Shri Amit Mukherjee</b> <i>Trustee &amp; Treasurer</i>	Present	Present	Present
<b>Shri Kalyan Kar</b> <i>Trustee</i>	Present	Absent	Absent
<b>Dr. Kunal Ray</b> <i>Trustee &amp; Hony. Director (Projects)</i>	Present	Present	Present
<b>Mr. Surajit Roy</b> <i>Trustee &amp; Secretary of the Trust</i>	Present	Present	Present

*Table 1 - SPKF Trustees' presence in All Trust Meetings (FY 2022-23)*



## SPKF Teachers' Meetings

A meeting was organized to meet volunteer Teachers in presence of Chairman, SPKF, Prof. Samir Kumar Brahmachari and other trustees of the SPKF trust on January 4, 2023 at Calcutta Rowing Club.

Beyond the exchange of ideas, the meeting cultivates a network of inspiration. Volunteer teachers, often working in isolation during their day-to-day activities, find solace and encouragement in the shared experiences of their peers. The meeting becomes a space where challenges are addressed collectively, and triumphs are shared with genuine joy.

As these volunteer teachers convene, their meeting becomes a testament to the idea that education is not merely a transform of knowledge but a shared journey of growth and empowerment. In the meeting room, where passion meets purpose, the impact on underprivileged students is immeasurable.

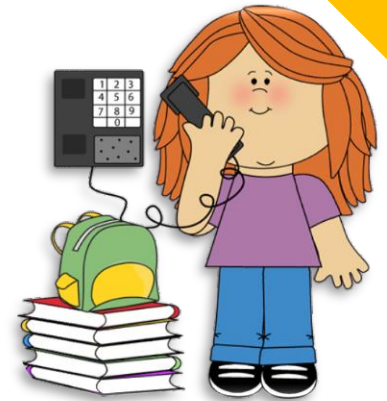


*Pic – 3: SPKF Volunteer Teachers with Chairman, SPKF, Prof. Samir Kumar Brahmachari and Dr. Kunal Ray, Trustee & Hony Director (Projects) along with SPKF Team during Teachers' Meeting on January 4, 2023 at Calcutta Rowing Club*

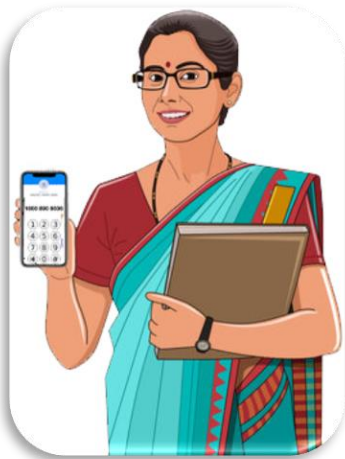
## About the Students

In the heart of rural Bengal, a transformative journey is unfolding—one where the path to a brighter future is paved with the invaluable gift of education. Underprivileged students, often facing the harsh realities of limited resources and opportunities, are seizing the chance to break free from the cycle of poverty and ignorance.

Each underprivileged rural student taking free educational help weaves a unique thread of hope and resilience. Their stories, often born from adversity, transform into narratives of triumph and inspiration.



## About the Volunteer Teachers



Volunteer teachers play a crucial role in the success of Teacher-on-Call, the free educational program for underprivileged students mainly targeting rural & urban sectors. Their commitment, passion, and dedication make a significant impact on the lives of the students. Teachers also act as mentors and role models, inspiring students to pursue education and personal growth. They also offer emotional support to students facing challenges and encourage parents to actively participate in their children's education. The success of underprivileged students relies heavily on the dedication and collaborative efforts of volunteer teachers. By providing quality education, volunteer teachers contribute significantly to empower future generations.



## Our Volunteer Teachers

Shri Achinta Ghosh	Sm Keya Ganguly	Shri Sarnendu Mondal
Sm Aditi Nath	Shri Krishanu Bhattacharya	Shri Sasanka Majhi
Shri Ajoy Kumar Brahmachari	Sm Krishna Mukherjee	Shri Sayantan Chaudhury
Shri Amalendra Chakravorty	Sm Laboni Saha	Shri Shibnath Chhatui
Sm Anindita Mukherjee	Sm Lalita Samaddar	Sm Shikha Mukherjee
Shri Anup Kr Gangopadhyay	Shri Madhusudan Sau	Shri Shirsendu Ghosh
Shri Anupam Poali	Shri Madhusudan Som	Dr. Sibabrata Mukherjee
Sm Anushree Mondal	Shri Madhusudhan Khatua	Sm Sima Misra
Sm Anwesa Banik	Sm Mahua Basu Baral	Sm Siuli Pandey
Shri Arup Sengupta	Sm Mita Das	Shri Somesh Bhattacharya
Sm Ashima Saha	Shri Mohammad Ali Halder	Shri Soumen Mondal
Sm Asmita Das	Shri Mohitosh Ghosh	Shri Subhendu Mondal
Shri Bidhan Chakrabarti	Shri Nantu Jana	Shri Subhendu Paul
Shri Bidyut Ghosh	Shri Nibesh Kumar Mandal	Sm Subhra Ghosh
Shri Bidyut Saha	Shri Nilanga Mukherjee	Shri Subrata Dutta
Shri Biplab Mahato	Shri Nityananda Seal	Sm Sudebika Bandyopadhyay
Shri Biresh Layek	Shri Paban Jadab	Sm Sudipa Kundu
Shri Biswajit Goswami	Shri Pabitra Bhusan Saha	Sm Sujata Dasgupta
Sm Chaitali Mukherjee	Shri Pallab Sengupta	Shri Sukanta Maity
Shri Chanchal Mukherjee	Shri Paltu Das	Shri Sukumar Shil
Shri Chandan Ghosh	Sm Papiya Das	Shri Sumanta Dutta
Shri Chandan Hazra	Shri Partha Mukherjee	Shri Sumanta Tewari
Shri Chinmay Kamila	Sm Patrali Patra	Sm Suprita Chakraborty
Shri Deepak Kumar Sinha	Sm Pramita Dutta Sarkar	Shri Susobhan Karmakar
Shri Dipankar Chowdhury	Shri Pratanu Rakshit	Sm Sutanuka Bhattacharya
Shri Dipnarayan Biswas	Shri Purna Chandra Chakraborty	Shri Swarup Dey
Dr. Prabal Dey	Sm Rajrupa Ray	Sm Tania Ghosh
Dr. Sukla Ghosh	Sm Rittika Jana	Shri Tapas Kumar Sen
Sm Gargi Mukherjee	Sm Riya Saha	Shri Tarun Chakraborty
Sm Gopa Bagchi	Shri Rup Bhattacharjee	Shri Tushar Kanti Mondal
Sm Kaberi Majumder	Shri Sandip Dutta	Shri Uday Baral
Shri Kalyanbrata Bhowmic	Sm Sanghamitra Roy Sarkar	

*Note: Names are in alphabetical order*

## Projects:

### 1. Teacher on Call

Teacher on Call (TOC) is a free educational help desk for the school students, the first generation learners with curiosity. The free educational support is provided through Tollfree telephonic medium where no internet or any smart phone is needed for the caller. The school students who do not have access to any help beyond attending their schools can enhance their learning and boost their curiosity with unlimited free calls through this project.

Sahaj Path Teacher-on-Call program runs with multilingual cloud based IVR system and state-of-the-art cloud-based telephony technology from Tier-1 service providers. All conversations between students and teachers are being recorded and stored on cloud storage with 128-bit encryption.

Classes served : 5 to 12

Subjects covered : Physical Science, Physics, Chemistry, Biology /Life Science, Mathematics, English and Geography

### Snapshot of Sahaj Path (2022 - 23)

❖ New Registrations	:	547
❖ Districts Covered in West Bengal	:	22
❖ Total Calls on TOC Program	:	17,631
❖ Total Beneficiaries (Students)	:	1,353
❖ Total Volunteer Teachers	:	95

## Statistics: West Bengal

Data analytics by Sahaj Path team plays a pivotal role in Teacher-on-Call project in providing a comprehensive picture of the day-to-day interactions between Teachers and students, volume and duration of calls. Sahaj Path team also get to know about the relative demand about different subjects / topics along with the most participating class and districts representing students etc. It results the identification of inquisitive and curious students and as well as an idea where students need more help.

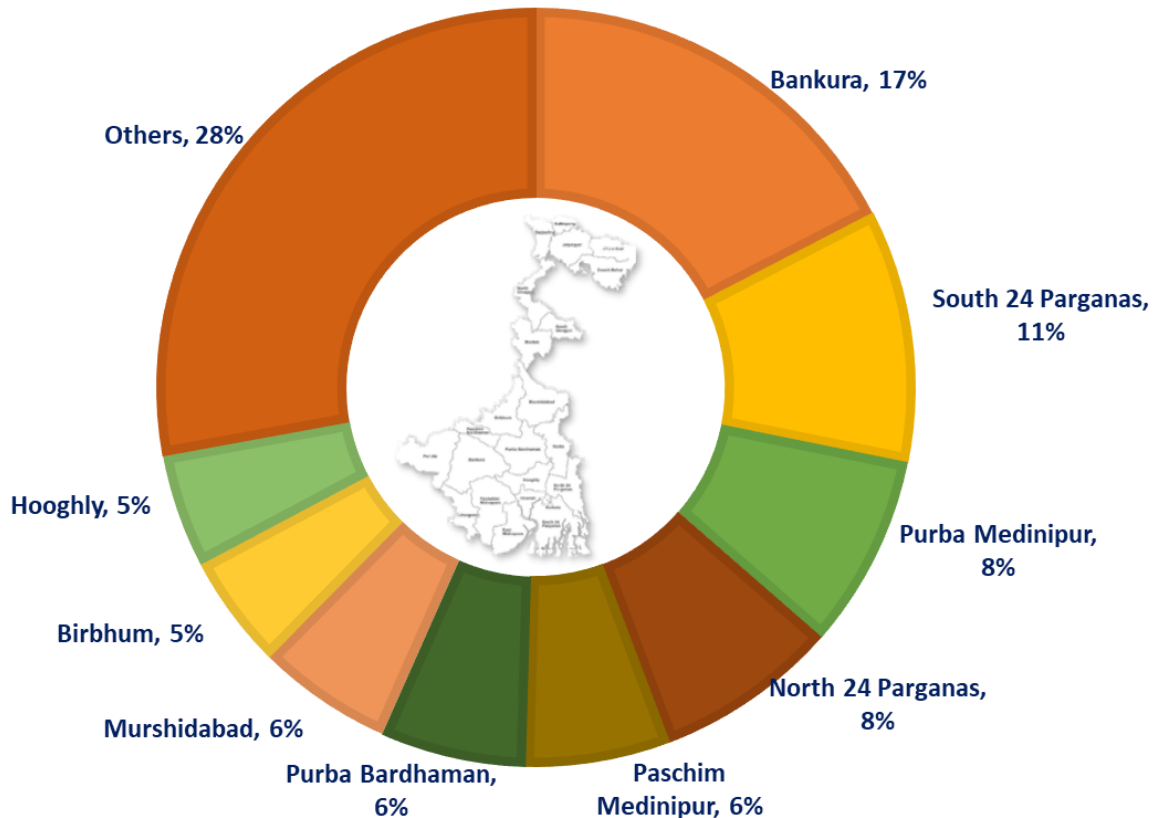


Figure 1 – District wise students' participation under Teacher on Call program

- ❖ 1,501 students tried to explore Teacher on Call program whereas 1,353 students have been benefited through this program.
- ❖ Twenty-two districts have been covered under FY 2022 - 23.
- ❖ Bankura stands top among all districts with 17% participation.
- ❖ South 24 Parganas stands second with 11% participation.
- ❖ Purba Medinipur & North 24 Parganas stands third with 8% participation.

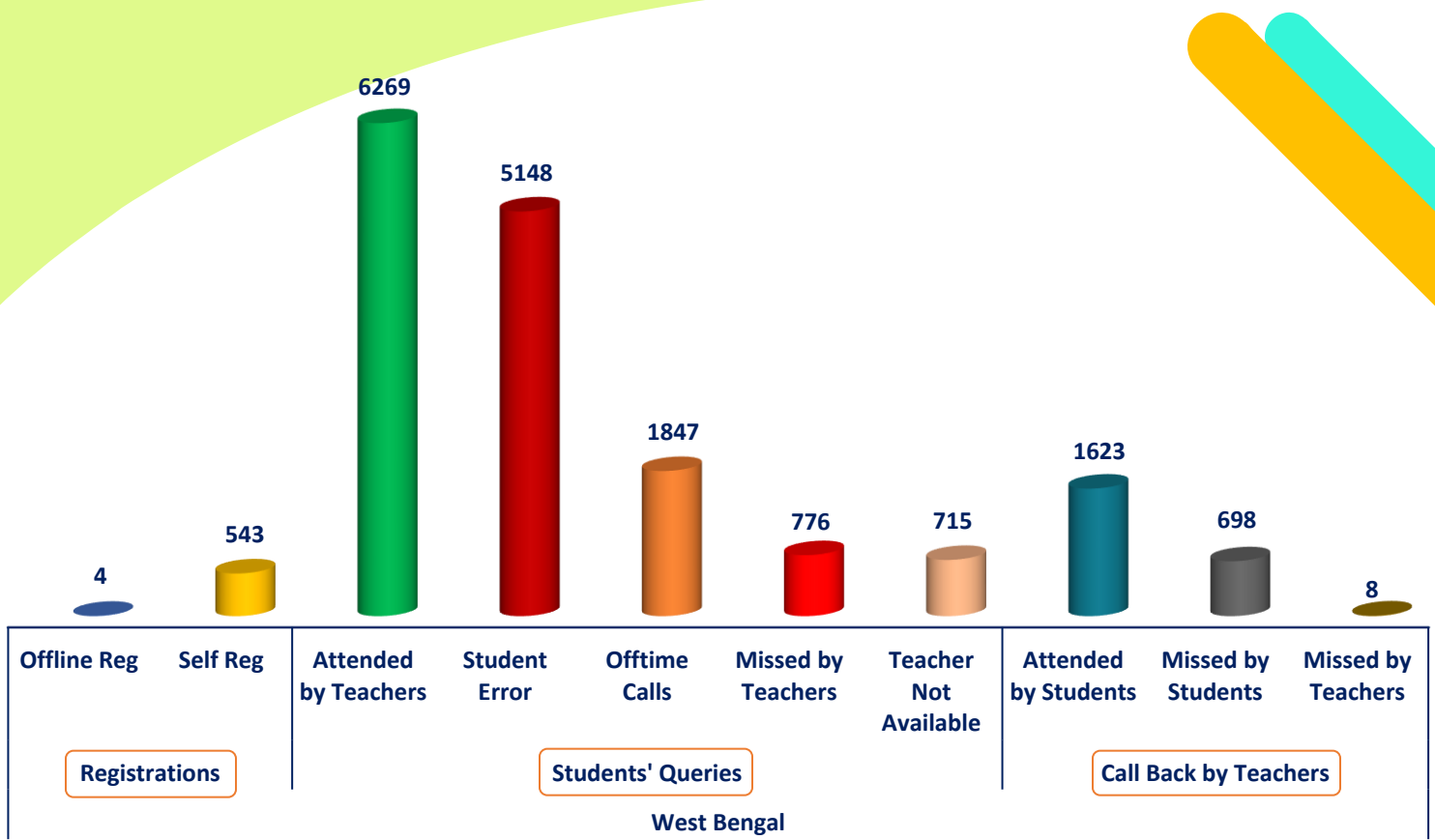


Figure 2 – Call details: No. of calls attempted by Students & Teachers under Teacher on Call program.

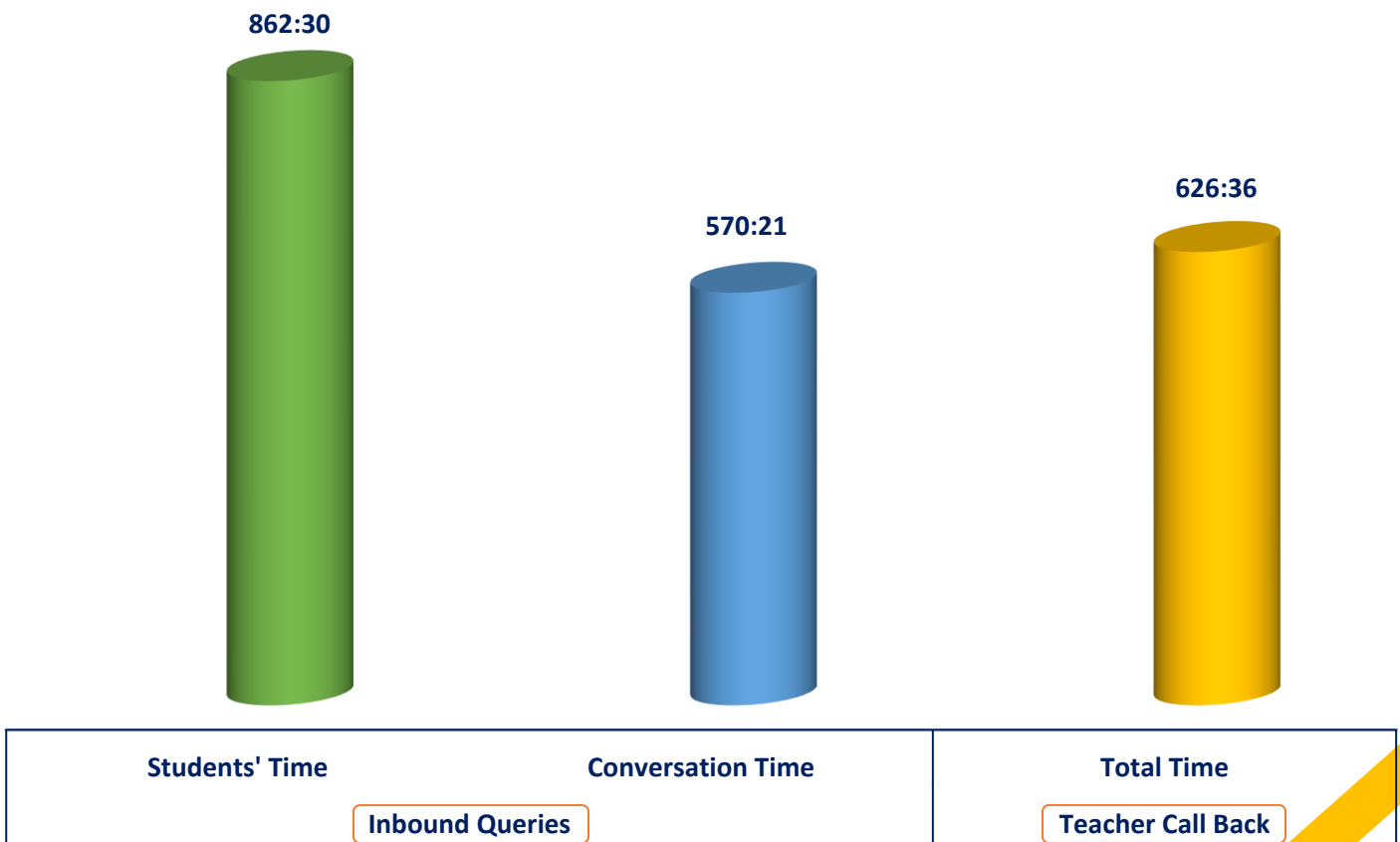


Figure 3 – Call details: Number of hours used for Students Teachers conversations in HH:MM

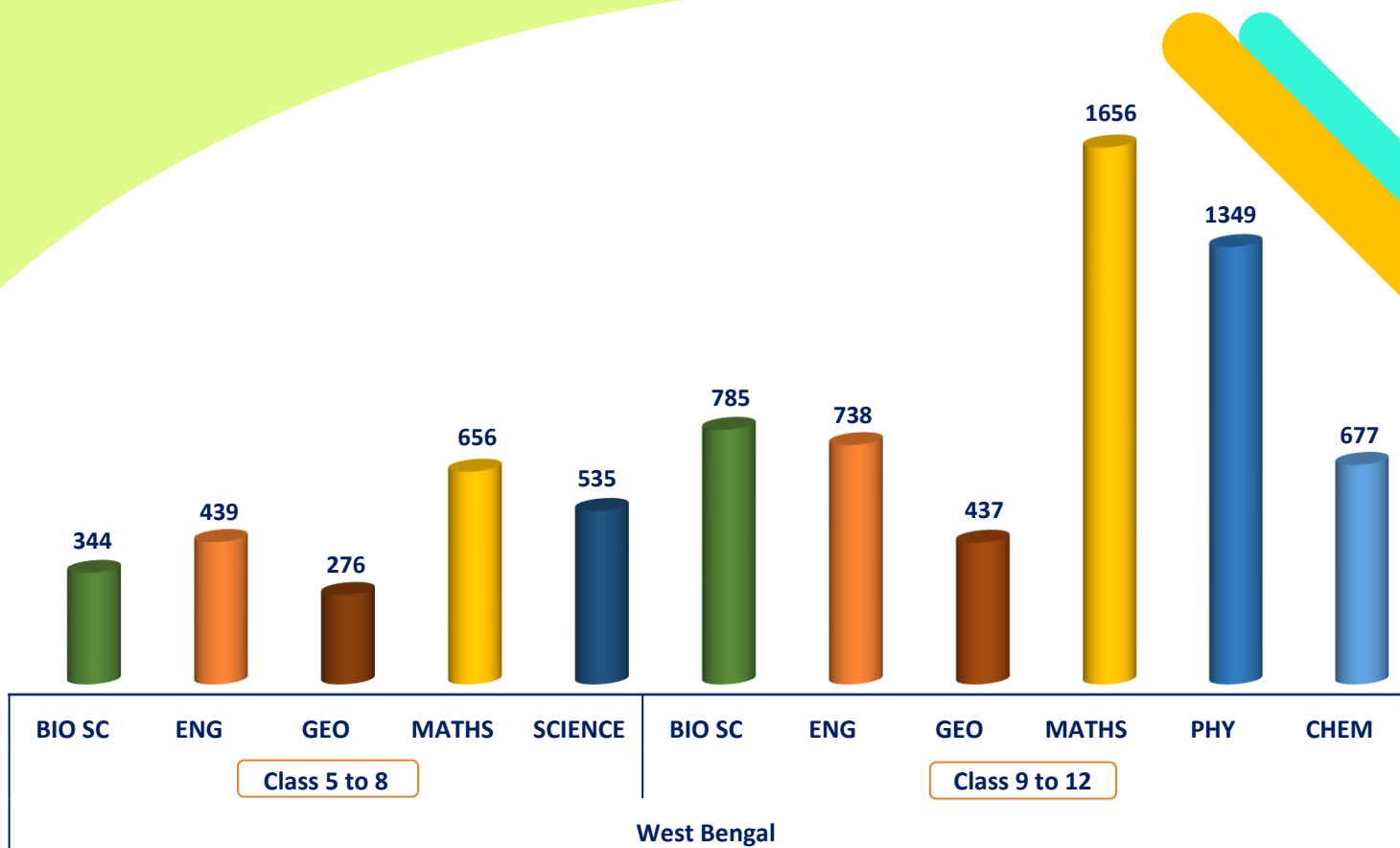


Figure 4 –Subject specific distribution of registered students' queries under Teacher on Call program

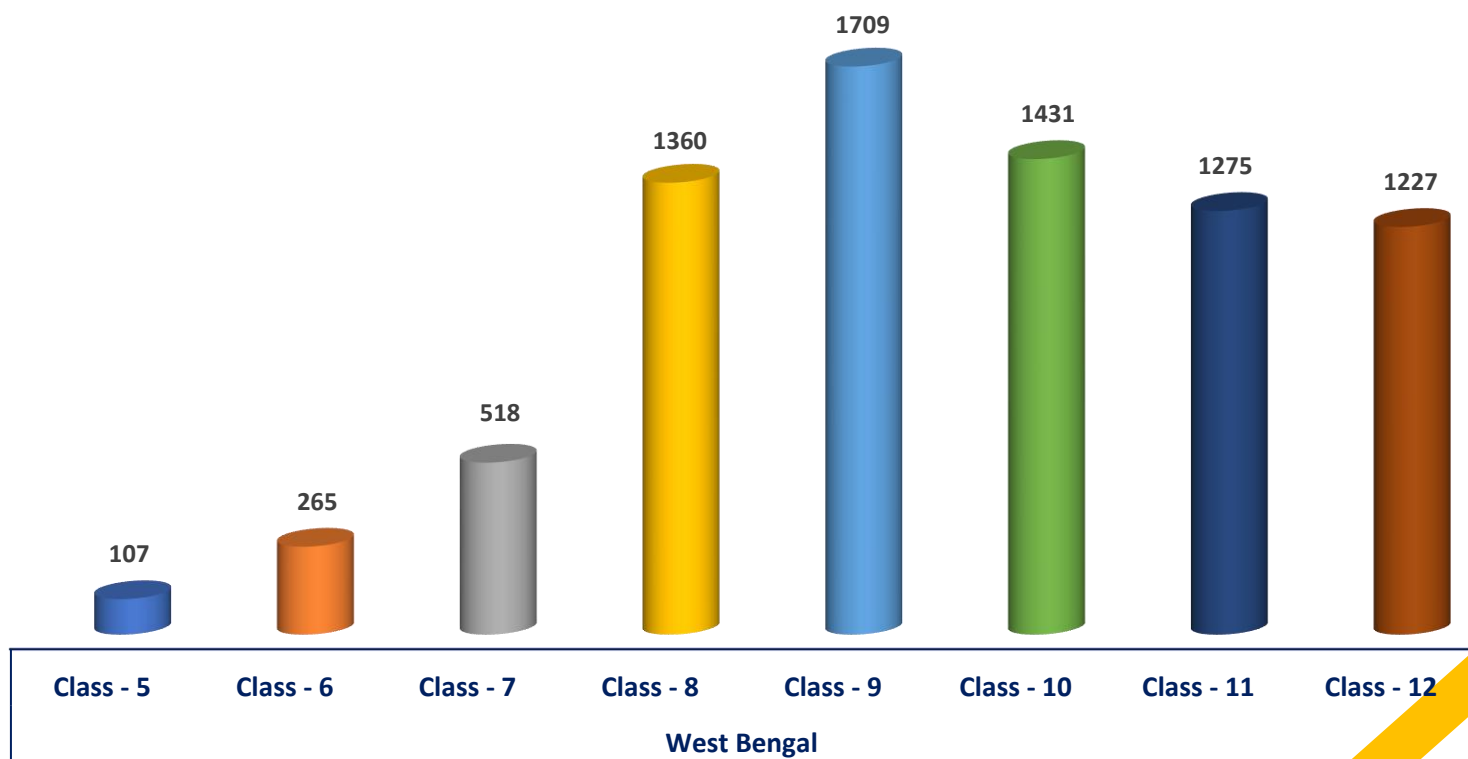


Figure 5 – Class wise distribution of registered students' queries under Teacher on Call program



## Scholarship

A large number of students from rural Bengal have already benefited from the Sahaj Path Teacher-on-Call program and many of them have achieved phenomenal success in their Secondary & Higher Secondary Examinations. Many students who are from Govt. schools in remote villages have achieved 90% plus marks in their board examinations with the help of Sahaj Path Teacher-on-Call program which is a rare phenomenal.

Sahaj Path identified several bright and curious students on the basis of their enthusiastic participation in the Teacher-on-Call program as well as their brilliant academic performances and awarded some of them with scholarships to enhance their aspirations.

Currently Sahaj Path provides three types of scholarships.

- For students from class 5 to class 8 with a special interest in subject Mathematics
- For students from class 9 to class 12 with 90% plus academic marks
- For highly talented students from economically underprivileged backgrounds who have passed the Higher Secondary Examinations with 90% plus marks and pursuing higher studies including B.Tech., Computer Science, etc.

An overview of a few such students who have been awarded with scholarships for their remarkable academic performances with the help of active participation in the Teacher-on-Call program are,



*Ritam Patra* - A bright and inquisitive student from a rural school, Araldihi High School under Bankura district of West Bengal has been attached with Sahaj Path since 2017 when he was in 9<sup>th</sup> standard. Being the son of a farmer and newspaper vendor, his only source of support was the Teacher-on-Call program. He secured 92% in the Secondary Examination and 94.75% in the Higher Secondary Examination with the constant guidance of SPKF Teachers. His love for Mathematics created a desire to learn Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning.

Sahaj Path has helped him financially through scholarship to take admission and pursuing B.Tech. in AI/ML in Computer Science from Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences in Bangalore.



*Annyasa Mallick* - An intelligent and inquisitive student from a suburban school, Naihati Narendra Vidyaniketan H.S. (English Medium) under North 24 Parganas district of West Bengal, has a great interest for science. She has passed the Secondary Examination with 95% marks in 2022. She has always been guided and mentored by Sahaj Path Teachers. Being the only daughter of a grocery shop owner, she wants to pursue Medicine. Sahaj Path teachers are helping her to fulfil her dreams.



*Tanmay Ghosh* - A regular participant from a rural school, Amgaria Gopalpur RGM Institution under Purba Bardhaman district of West Bengal, has passed the Secondary Examination in 2022 with 89% marks. He loves Physics the most and wants to build a career in the same. The Teachers of Sahaj Path are helping him to stay focused and achieve his goal with their guidance.



*Lokojit Biswas* - A regular participant from a rural school, Barajaguli Gopal Academy (H.S.) under Nadia district of West Bengal in the Teacher-on-Call program, has passed the Secondary Examination in 2022 with 94.28% marks. He wants to pursue Engineering for which preparations have started already. Also, he is fond of Physics. He has always admitted the role of Sahaj Path Teachers who are supporting him in every possible way.

## HARYANA

Faridabad Education Council (FEC) in collaboration with Sahaj Path Knowledge Foundation (SPKF) continue the support of Teacher-on-Call project to Faridabad and Palwal districts of Haryana to help underprivileged Government school students. Program has completed 3<sup>rd</sup> successful years.

Many students from different government schools have able to score good marks in their examinations by taking support under this free educational program. This initiative seeks to bridge the educational gap by providing comprehensive support to underprivileged section who face economic and social challenges. The program not only ensures access to quality education but also addresses the multifaceted needs of students, recognizing that a holistic approach is essential for their overall development.

This educational help desk provides full support to the students with curiosity.

Volunteer teachers are available to support students of classes 6 to 10 with queries from subjects such as Science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology), Social Science, Mathematics, English & Hindi are catered.



## Statistics: Haryana

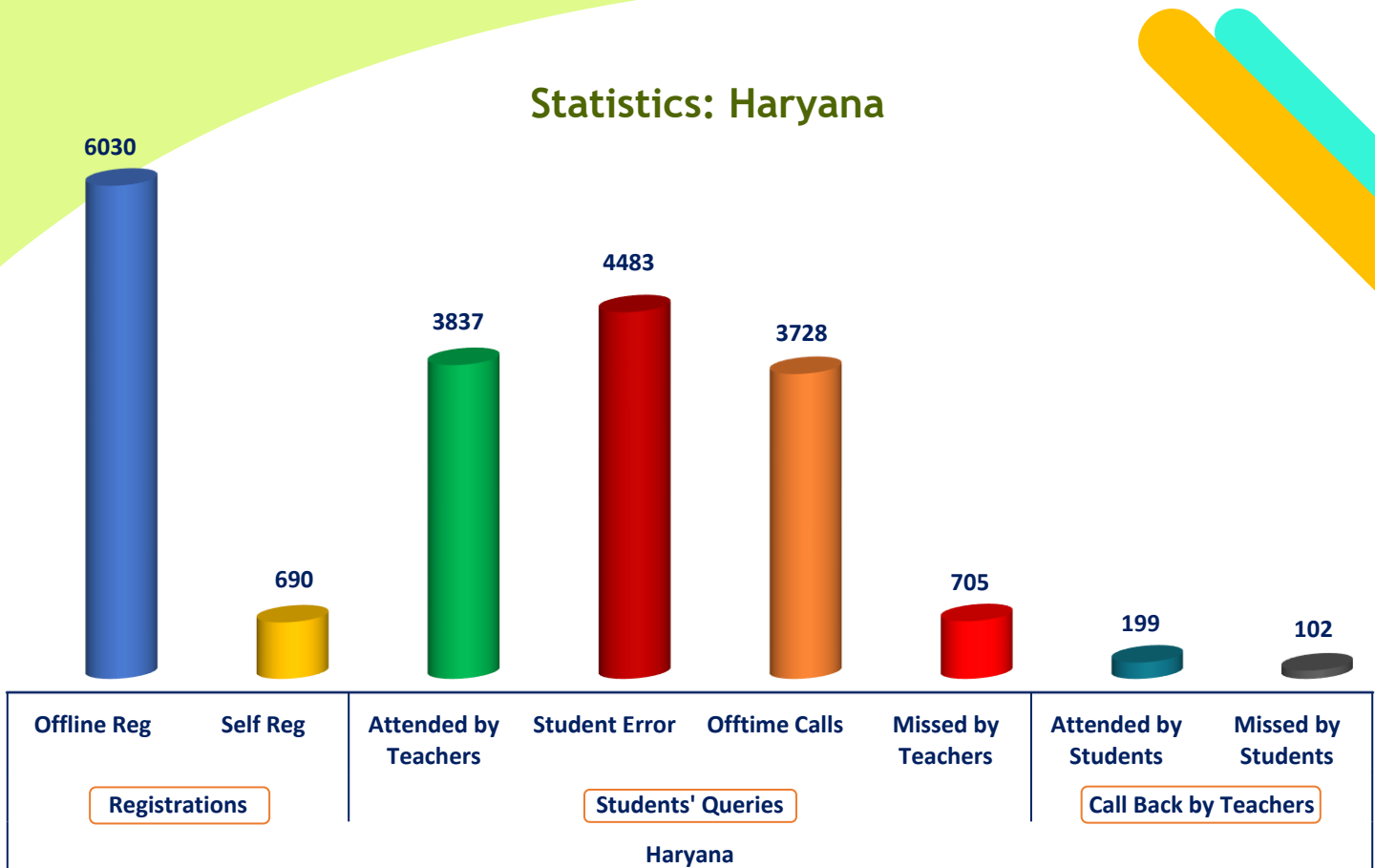


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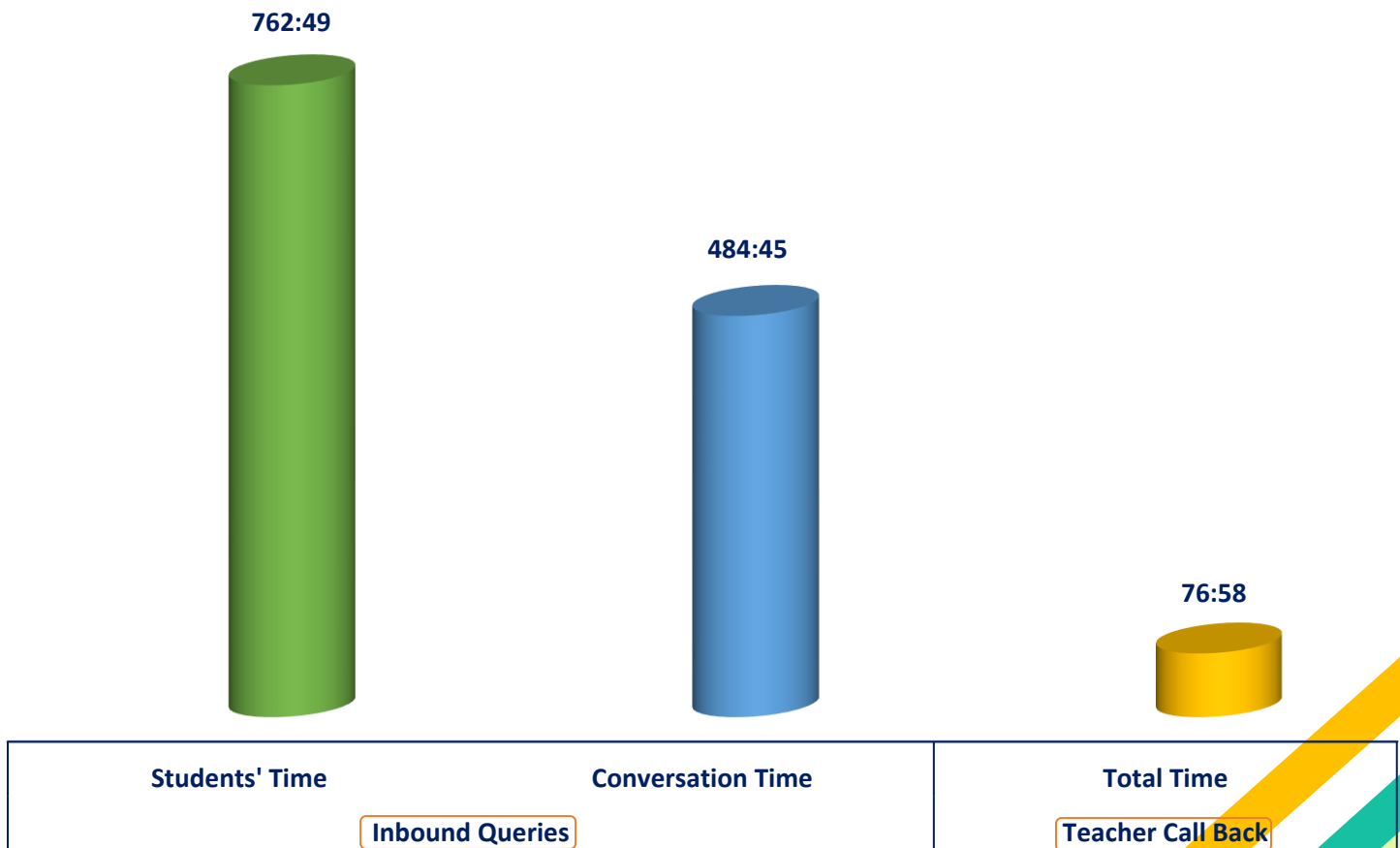


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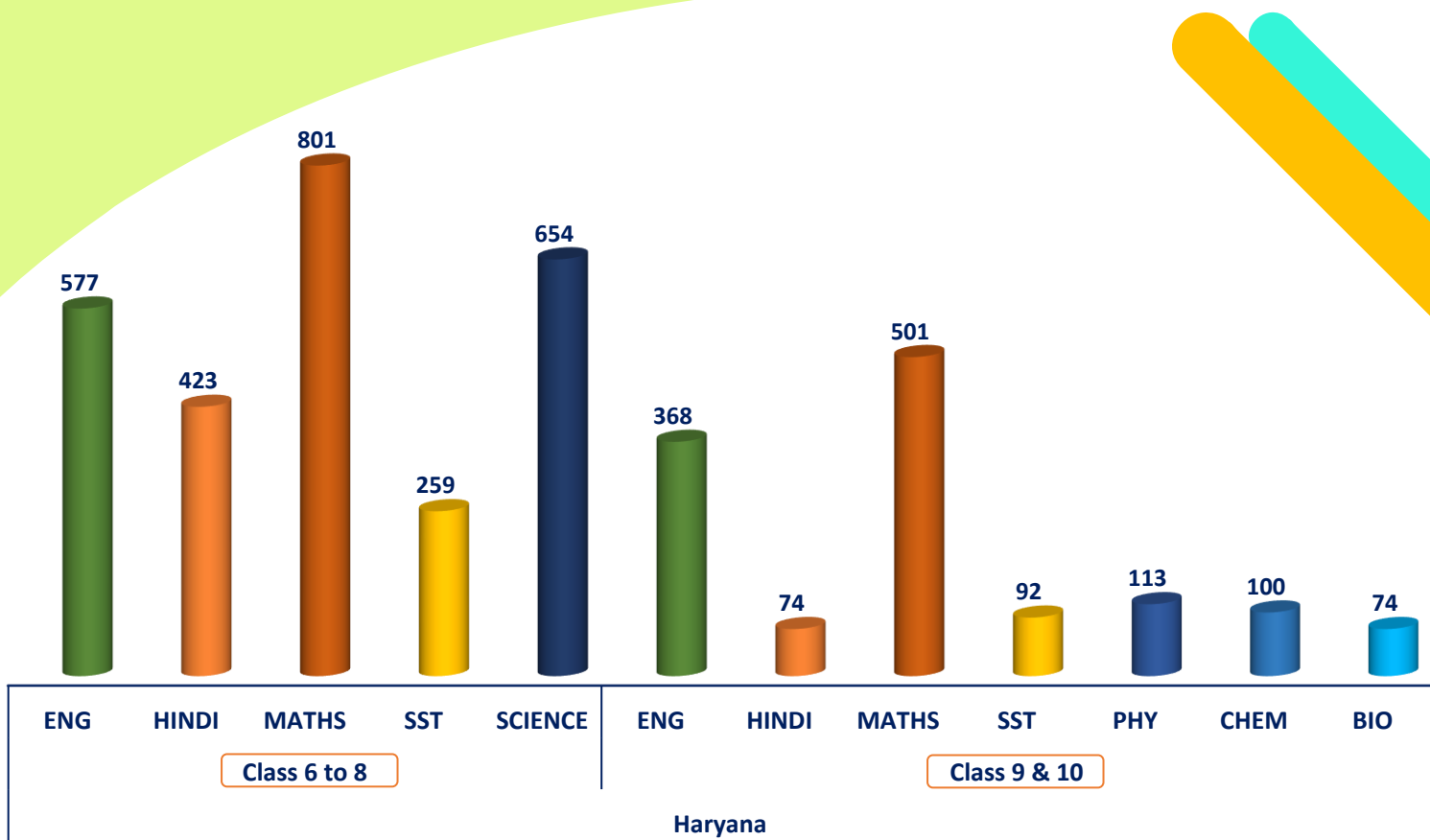


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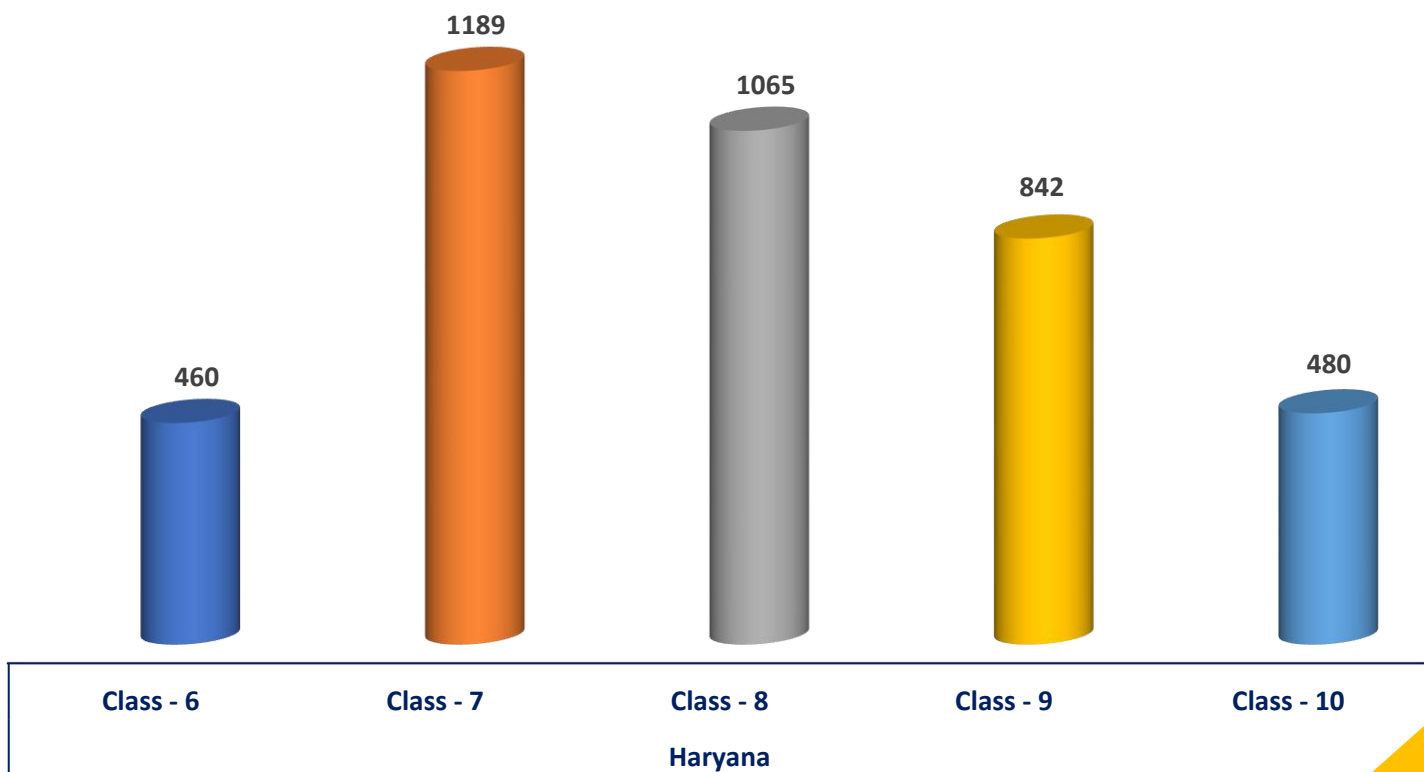


Figure 9 – Class wise distribution of registered students' queries under Teacher on Call program



## 2. Sahaj Shiksha

‘Sahaj Shiksha - Learning Made Easy Free For All’ is a web-based forum containing relevant subject materials for all classes (5 to 12) which has been introduced for the students to make their lessons more interesting. This portal is user friendly for the students and they can browse through the same even with low internet bandwidth. The voluntary Teachers of Sahaj Path have helped by providing audio/visual contents for Sahaj Shiksha and even many teachers have allowed Sahaj Path to use the content from their personal you tube channels for the benefit of inquisitive students.



Students can download the contents they need if permissible under Sahaj Shiksha portal as well as read it online. The link of the portal has been added in the website of Sahaj Path so that the visitors of the website can also get access to Sahaj Shiksha ([www.sahajshiksha.sahajpathonline.org](http://www.sahajshiksha.sahajpathonline.org)).

## 3. Audio Podcast



Sahaj Path has also created an audio podcast platform for underprivileged students, especially for those who belong to low internet bandwidth zones. Sahaj Path Teachers have provided audio contents on different important topics from different subjects, from which students ask queries frequently. The channel has been shared with the registered students so

that they can utilize the same whenever needed.

<https://podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/sahajpath>

## 4. Career Counselling-MARG (In collaboration with ERA Foundation)



Career counselling by Sahaj Path for the talented students in rural areas aims to provide them the proper guidance, information, and support needed to make informed decisions and navigate their way toward successfully and fulfilling careers by taking right decisions about their future paths.

Sahaj Path has helped ERA Foundation, Bengaluru to build the career counselling online test platform (MARG) in regional language Bengali for the students of West Bengal.

Sahaj Path career counselling is indispensable for talented rural students due to,

### 1. Identification of Strengths and Interests:

Career counselling helps students identify their strengths, interests, and passions. Talented students may have unique skills and abilities that need to be recognized and nurtured, and career counselors can guide them in understanding their own potential.

### 2. Educational Planning:

Career counselors assist in educational planning by helping students choose the right courses and academic programs that align with their talents and career goals. This guidance ensures that they make informed decisions about their education.

### 3. Setting Realistic Goals:

Talented students may have ambitious goals, and career counselling can help them set realistic and achievable objectives. Counselors can provide guidance on the steps needed to reach those goals, breaking down the process into manageable tasks.

### 4. Enhancing Employability Skills:

Career counselling goes beyond career selection; it also focuses on developing essential employability skills such as communication, problem-solving, and teamwork. These skills are crucial for success in any career and can be particularly beneficial for talented students in rural areas.

## Key Supporters who strengthened us in 2022-23

### Details of the Donor



Faridabad Education Council (FEC)  
Faridabad, Haryana



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Kolkata, West Bengal



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## Get Involved

### As a Citizen

Be a part of this philanthropic endeavor and support the children to become educated and responsible citizens of India.

### As a Donor

The Foundation invites all Corporate and PSU officials to make use of their CSR funds as well as social impact funding for the cause of underprivileged children's education. Sahaj Path also invites individual donors to come forward and support the foundation for the noble cause of underprivileged children's better education

*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

Sahaj Path foundation appeals to Educated Housewives, Retired teachers and Professionals who are willing to teach students on a voluntary basis to come forward and share some of their free time for the education of underprivileged children.



## Events



*Pic – 4: School visits by Sahaj Path team to popularise Teacher on Call program among rural students.*

*Glimpses of orientation process on TOC program and Students' interaction by Sahaj Path team at two rural schools under Bankura district.*

- I. Patharmora High School
- II. Bhara D. D. K. B. High School

## Students' Felicitations

Sahaj Path felicitated two students from rural and suburbs of West Bengal to acknowledge and celebrate their outstanding achievements in class 10 board examination with the help of Teacher-on-Call program.

The felicitation program is a momentous occasion that not only honors the academic excellence of these students but also applauds their extracurricular achievements, skills, and exceptional commitment to their studies.

During this felicitation program Sahaj Path proudly handed over the scholarship certificates to the winners.



*Pic - 5: Glimpses of Students' Felicitation Program*





*Pic - 6: Chairman, SPKF, Prof. Samir Kumar Brahmachari & Hon. Guest Prof. Kasturi Datta, Emeritus Professor, JNU interacted with scholarship winners and their guardians during students' felicitation program.*



*Pic - 7: Students & their Guardians with Chairman, SPKF, Prof. Samir Kumar Brahmachari, Hon. Guest Prof. Kasturi Datta, Emeritus Professor, JNU, Mr. Alope Mukherjea, Trustee, SPKF & Mr. Amit Mukherjee, Trustee & Treasurer, SPKF during students' felicitation program.*

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