

## 77 DROPOUT STUDENTS APPEAR FOR CLASS X EXAMS

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With support of the CSR arm of Hindustan Power, 77 dropout students from Anuppur appeared for 10th examinations and 44 of them have passed the examinations as private candidates in State Board. Of these 44, Naresh Sharma achieved the distinction of passing the examination with first division while 31 of them passed with second division and rest 12 secured third division.

Anuppur like many other districts in India has been experiencing high dropout percentage in the high school itself leading lack of proper development opportunities for these youth. On the advice of the local administration, CSR arm of Hindustan Power conceptualized an initiative called - 'Drop out Mainstreaming Class' with an aim was to provide educational opportunity to the dropout students. The data of the current year shows that the pass out result in 10th board exams of MP is 54 per cent and that of Anuppur is 55 per cent.

The teachers conducted classes for these students from November 2015 to February 2016, six days a week to ensure brighter future for these children.

Ranu Kulshrestha, Head, CSR told that the CSR arm of Hindustan Power has been providing many options to ensure livelihood options for the community in Anuppur and understanding the role education plays in empowering the youth. The company has decided to start this programme to help the students.

