TECH FOR ALL

As a team of individuals who wanted to motivate the youth around us, we created a project called as "*Tech for All*". The team of students, aged 14-16, brainstormed their ideas with the perception of the world around us. We came to the conclusion



that the element which is not fulfilling the requirements of the people in our society is the art of skills which are useful in this era. And with this flaw in our minds, we took up the mission of making a difference for good.



The **main aim of the project** is to empower the young generation through tech tools. In order to express ourselves better, we collaborated with Microsoft's project; the Tech for Good challenge. In this project, we utilize Microsoft tools to educate the students who are currently studying in not so privileged schools but are aspiring to be the best of the 21st century.

These tools were the literal medium to teach the SDGs we worked upon which was Quality education and *Gender equality* but this was not it, students of our team also took the initiative to teach the impact of climate change on our environment. The schools we worked with were *Nature-Nurture Academy* and *Al-Murtaza Education System* in order to exhibit the two SDGs.

Our main motive was to **bring Quality to their Education** and this was achieved when we **shared our tech skills** and integrated them with **the importance of SDGs** in the current era. Due to the rise of COVID-19 and the peculiar situation embedded in our lives, online learning was encouraged, using *Microsoft Teams* and making a *WhatsApp* group in order to interact with the students.

On the other hand, **gender equality's** importance was expressed by providing an equal platform to both genders in order for them to learn, express emotions and seek knowledge. Even in this century, people around the world discriminate against women but by doing this, we are extremely happy to know that we were successful in knowing that many students, be it boys or girls, and were hopeful and curious about the future and their contribution to it.



Our Commitment:

This particular journey consists of tasks and responsibilities which we have been working on since the start of 2020 and the dark times followed by it. We acknowledged the fact that our community requires the assistance of all students but due to the lack of resources e.g., no electricity, no internet connection or no digitalized infrastructure, many of those who are underprivileged



are not aware about this. And that was the moment when we as a team agreed not to stop this E-service learning program until each kid around us, our community and country is known to the miracle if educated.

Our Achievements:

The work we conducted by working as a team and not giving up included online training sessions for students on Microsoft teams in which we shared tips of how to cope up with studies, teaching strategies and how to learn in a fun and interactive way. And in the next sessions, our team members conducted

demo lessons which boosted confidence of the students we were originally teaching and made them passionate regarding the lessons due to the interesting topics. We conducted sessions on Microsoft Word, Ms. PowerPoint, Ms. Excel, Ms. Forms, Ms. Sway, Online safety and web making were showcased and have received productive feedback and qualitative feed forward. We have also recorded sessions so links can be reused for future reference and these

could be further used to teach other students in their school.

Our Motivation and plans for the future:

We as a team believe that our mission is working as a catalyst which can spark a beacon of hope, trust and beauty in the hearts and minds of the whole community. Students of our team have also completed the course of "Microsoft WE School Tech for Good" and have received certificates for it as well but the fact that now the same knowledge can be passed onto the students we are teaching. We have also held meetings with the heads of the schools in which we suggested that we would like to teach more groups. Our team along with our school management are in the process of setting up ICT labs in the not so privileged schools. We have also collaborated with The Lions Club International and The City School network schools and are working in unison to gather I.T equipment which can be reused thus promoting a sustainable culture. We look forward to work with our new team on our E-service learning project "Tech for all" to make the project the best we can, by making an impact in our community leaving no one behind in the process of learning tech tools. Together we can make a difference.

Student's feedback was taken using Microsoft Forms:





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