

## **Bharti Foundation's Satya Bharti Adarsh Schools outperforms PSEB, CBSE national average in Class XII and Class X board exams**

- *Overall pass percentage of Satya Bharti Adarsh School 96.98%, which is higher than the CBSE national pass percentage of 83.4% and Panchkula region of 87.5% despite schools being located in rural areas and children coming primarily from challenging socio-economic backgrounds*
- *The overall girls pass percentage of 96.43% which is above than CBSE national average of 88.7% and Panchkula region of 92.8%*
- *The schools recorded highest marks in the subjects like Retail Operation (100), Punjabi (100), Economics (99), Pol Science (98), Accountancy (95), Business Studies (95), History (94) and English (93)*
- *Total of 199 students (112 girls and 87 boys) from all five Satya Bharti Adarsh Senior Secondary Schools in Punjab appeared for the Class XII CBSE Board Examinations*

**Amritsar, May 3, 2019:** Bharti Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Bharti Enterprises proudly announces the remarkable achievement of students of Satya Bharti Adarsh Senior Secondary schools located in remote rural Punjab in the Class XII CBSE Board Examinations. The success of these children becomes special as most of them come from weak economic background and parents are primarily engaged as daily wage earners. These students, especially the girls, who outshined CBSE national average with 96.43% pass percentage, withstood various social and economic pressures but despite these adversities, have proven that given the opportunity they can provide outcomes at par with more privileged students.

With an overall pass percentage of 96.98% which is higher than the national pass percentage of 83.4%, the success of children in the remote locations of rural Punjab not only validates the efforts put in by the students, teachers and the school but also is a “dream come true” for most of the parents whose belief for education has been further entrusted by the results.

Ms Jaspreet Kaur, student of Satya Bharti Adarsh Sr Sec School Fattubhilla secured highest marks with 480 out of 500 (96%). She secured 100 in Punjabi, 99 in Retail Operation, 98 in Political Science and 93 in History.

Congratulating the students and teachers, **Ms. Mamta Saikia, CEO, Bharti Foundation** said, “*The success of Class XII students is always special as they fight against every odds to deliver the stellar performance. Their success is the reinforcement of our belief that changes can be brought in rural India by ensuring access to quality education. I congratulate the students and teachers for the outstanding performance and thank the community for consistently supporting our schools.*”

Currently 196 Satya Bharti Schools are operational across the villages of Punjab, Rajasthan, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal. Of the 196 schools, 191 schools are



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primary/elementary schools and five schools are senior secondary schools run in public private partnership mode under Punjab Government's Adarsh Scheme.

The Satya Bharti Schools provide quality education to children in rural India, most of who are first generation learners. Keeping this in mind, the school curriculum has been designed to help children understand what they are being taught. Encompassing both classroom as well as out-of-class activities, the program aims to develop students holistically by inculcating in them attitudes, values and life-skills that will hold them in good stead later in life. While innovative Teaching Learning Material (TLM) enhances their classroom experience, special programs like The Physical Education Curriculum (PEC) are used to make outdoor learning more meaningful. Other interventions like the English Phonics Program and use of education software, aid the delivery of English and computer education.

### **About Bharti Foundation**

Bharti Foundation, was set up in the year 2000 as the philanthropic arm of Bharti Enterprises. It implements and supports programs in the fields of primary, secondary and higher education as well as sanitation. Since inception, the Foundation's programs have impacted lives of over 3.5 lakh students across 17 states in India. Through its flagship initiative the 'Satya Bharti School Program', the Foundation provides free quality education to 46,000+ underprivileged children with a special focus on the girl child. We currently run 249 Primary/Elementary schools and five Senior Secondary Schools across six states. In addition to providing holistic education these schools provide uniforms, text books and stationery as well as mid-day meals to all its students, free of cost. 50% of students in Satya Bharti Schools are girls and we have a special program to encourage, enroll and ensure that girls continue their education to achieve their potential. The Foundation also works in partnership with respective state governments towards improving the quality of over-all schooling experience for students in Government Schools through the Satya Bharti Quality Support Program. Bharti Foundation is currently supporting 771 government schools in 14 states and has a reach of 2, 25,977 students (50% girls) under the Program. Our sanitation initiative, 'Satya Bharti Abhiyan', was launched in 2014 in rural Ludhiana District of Punjab. This enabled the district to attain self-declared ODF status in November 2016. The Abhiyan spread its footprint to urban Ludhiana in October 2016 and to rural Amritsar in September 2017. The Program has been benefitting over 90,000 people with 18000+ toilets in Ludhiana and 28,000 people with 5000+ toilets in Amritsar. In Amritsar the Abhiyan is being implemented in collaboration with Department of Water Supply and Sanitation, Government of Punjab. In addition, the Program has built 14 girls toilets in Government schools in rural Ludhiana and 37 ladies toilets at Ludhiana Police Commissionerate- to provide access to separate toilets for women.