

BEACON: Institute Social Responsibility



The South Indian Education Society has taken a significant step forward by making social responsibility a part of the education process. It was decided that each college in the group would adopt a village for its overall development and to empower the villagers. The SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Sion West, took the first initiative by adopting a small tribal village in 2013 followed by the SIES College of Management Studies adopting another in 2014. The SIES Graduate School of Technology, Nerul has extended the initiative further by treading a different path. As part of the Institute Social Responsibility initiative taken by the South Indian Education Society, the Graduate School of Technology provides vocational training to the underprivileged sections of the society. The target group is orphans, street children, school dropouts and similar individuals between the age group of 18-30 years.



Beacon offers seven trades; viz Carpentry, Welding, Metal Turning, Sewing & Tailoring, Plumbing, Electrician, Screen Printing and Computer Operator,



each having a course duration of six months including a foundation course for all. The courses focus more on practical hands on training with minimum required theoretical background. Each candidate is further exposed to the basics of grooming, banking skills, computer skills, spoken English, Mathematics, as part of the foundation course. At the end of the training the students are placed with service providers, contractors or in industries for internship. Until now, SIES GST's BEACON has trained 8 batches from 2016 and all of them have been well placed.