

SashaktBalika

**Digital Training Programme for
the Girl Children of State Home
for Women, Guwahati Organized
by
Assam Don Bosco University**

Technical Report

Date of Program: 30 May 2022



1. Title:

‘SashaktBalika’- Digital Training Programme for Little Girls of State Home for Women, Guwahati conducted by VanitAgrata, the Women Empowerment Cell, School of Technology, Assam Don Bosco University

2. Program in brief:

A free digital literacy training on “Basics of Desktop Publishing” was organized by VanitAgrata, the women empowerment cell of Assam Don Bosco University on 30 May 2022. The participants were the little girls of State Home for Women, Jalukbari, Guwahati who are provided shelter and training for rehabilitation. The journey of VanitAgrata began in the year 2015 with the motto “By the Women, For the Women” and it is continuously striving to provide free digital training to empower female children and women of Assam. This one-day training has been conducted in a full-time mode, involving lectures, practical sessions, demos and hands-on practices on Desktop Publishing.

As mentioned by author Steve Ehrmann, one key to enhancing learning is to “*think with the technology rather than thinking about it.*” Keeping this in mind, VanitAgrata will keep on frequently carrying out such social commitment drives on digital literacy training to rural female children and women so as to be able to bridge the digital divide and bring gender equality.

‘VanitAgrata’ has successfully completed this training program with 22 female children who have shown keen interest to learn the basics of computers, Desktop Publishing, and Internet usage. The programme ended with a feedback session by the participants and certificate distribution.

3. Organizing Committee:

- a) Dr. Gypsy Nandi, Assistant Professor (Sel.), Dept. of Computer Applications (Coordinator)
- b) Dr. Bobby Sharma, Associate Professor, Dept. of CSE
- c) Ms. Manasi Hazarika, Assistant Professor (Sr.), Dept. of CSE (Instructor)
- d) Ms. Sonia Sarmah, Assistant Professor (Sr.), Dept. of Computer Applications (Instructor)
- e) Ms. Smriti P. Medhi, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CSE (Instructor)
- f) Ms. Nupur Choudhury, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CSE (Instructor)
- g) Sudip Kalita, Technical Incharge

4. Publicity:

- Website Report of the Assam Daily (dated 31 May 2022):
<https://www.theassamdaily.com/post/vanitagrata-cell-of-assam-don-bosco-university-holds-free-digital-literacy-training>
- Website Report of the Business Daily (dated 31 May 2022):
<https://www.thebusinessdaily.in/vanitagrata-cell-of-assam-don-bosco-university-holds-free-digital-literacy-training/>
- Report in Assamese Newspaper “Niyomiya Barta” dated 31 May 2022



5. Conclusion:

Hoping that the experiences gathered by the women during this training are now transferred into real use of computers for day-to-day purposes. Considering the success of the training, ‘VanitAgrata’ is looking forward to carry out further trainings and programmes of this kind in the near future.

6. Photo Gallery

[Note: The names and faces of participants are requested to be not revealed]



Fig 1: The Digital Literacy Training Being Conducted



Fig 2: The Inaugural Programme



Fig 3: Certificate Distribution