

Area: Dharavi

Date: 16/2/17 & 17/2/17

A survey was conducted of the BMC school going children in Dharavi on 16th Feb 2017 & 17th Feb 2017. In the survey we had asked questions based on their family details and about the BMC school which they are attending.

Most of the parents were not aware of their own children's education. We happened to survey a family where there were total 16 members in 1room+1loft home. When we asked the father to tell the grade of his children, his reply was " Array sabh ajao idhar, aur apna grade bhatana" because he didn't know their grades.

One family informed that they are aware of the poor quality in education but still they can't help it. One family said that the teachers said the following things to them when they go to school to ask about so many leaves of teacher, " Aap mujhse mere chuti key bhare mei math puchna kyunki appko kuch patha nahi".

Many students complained about dirty toilets with no proper water facility.

Most of the students and parents are satisfied with the teaching. Many of the families said that the teacher teaches everything well.

But when we see their performance it is very poor which shows that there is no learning happening.

My conclusion is that the parents are not aware of what education actually is..Due to poverty they are more focused in the provisions provided in the school rather than focusing on studies. The students are not good in studies because the teachers don't take much effort in teaching them, the teachers know that the family is poor and uneducated and hence they don't care much. After school the students don't have a good environment to study since they live in a small house with many members. Many parents don't be in home too since they go for work.

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