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# A REVIEW OF SHIS EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS: PRESENT FACILITIES AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

- Subhamoy Chatterjee

SHIS runs three schools with the objective of imparting equality education at affordable costs among the children of the poorer sections of society. SHIS Shishu Bikash Academy (SBA) is co-educational with over 700 students on the rolls from Nursery, I to class X. SHIS Girls Academy (SGA) is for girls in classes between V and X and there are about 275 students. the SHIS Deaf and Dumb School which is as the name suggests, for the hearing and speech impaired. It has 87 students. SHIS authorities are proud that all the schools have been showing an upward performance graph. The results in the last Madhyamik (Secondary) Education bear witness to the fact.

SHIS is now trying to widen the scope of learning and ensuring that the learning process becomes less monotonous and more enjoyable. To those ends,



classes in music have been introduced in both SBA and SGA. Vocational courses, in tailoring and computer have also been introduced in SGA. Efforts

are on to include some more vocational courses in both SBA and SGA. But fund remains a big problem.



## SHIS HEALTH CARE SERVICE FOR THE SUNDERBANS PEOPLE THROUGH MOBILE MEDICAL UNITS (MMU)

- Awola Khan

A large number of people in the mainland as well as island settlements of the Sunderbans are now getting a comprehensive health care service since the introduction of the Mobile Medical unit (MMU) service by SHIS. As many as five motor-boat-based medical units have been serving five of the six MMU clusters approved by the government of West Bengal. The clusters under the care of SHIS are Kakdwip-

Namkhana, (Two Blocks) Basanti, Gosaba, Sandeshkhali (Block I & II) and Hasnabad-Hingalgañj (two Blocks). SHIS appointed doctors, nurses and the staff members reach out to the people in these outlying places with their service along with medicine and clinical facilities.

SHIS director, M.A. Wohab emphatically said, "We have been serving our brothers and sisters of the Sunderbans since 1999, and will continue to do so with even more dedication and sincerity in the year to come.

