

## **Aakash Educational Services Limited pays homage to our defence forces; Continues its tradition of Facilitating Education of Wards of Defence Personnel and Martyr's**

- *Provides 100% tuition fee waiver to Children of Martyr's, 8 years in a row*
- *15% Scholarships to wards of Defence Personnel and those affected by terrorism*
  - *Around 70,000 students benefited since 2014*

**Jammu, February 14, 2021:** As part of its efforts to give back to the society, Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL), the national leader in test preparatory services, continued its tradition of facilitating education of wards of Defence Personnel in its endeavor to salute and thank the selfless service of our Armed Forces to the Nation.

Taking the 8-year-old tradition ahead, AESL announces the continuation of the 100% tuition fee waiver for children of Martyr's for the next academic calendar starting March 2022. Apart from this, the 15% scholarships for wards of Defence Personnel and those affected by terrorism will also continue for the upcoming year. Since 2014, the scholarship programme has benefitted more than 70,000 students.

**Captain (Retd) Anil Gour, Indian Army,** graced the ceremony as the Chief Guest in the presence of **Mr Parmeshwar Jha, Regional Director, Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL).**

On the occasion Captain Gour said *"The brave men and women of the Armed forces should always be honored for their sacrifice. They risk their lives to protect the citizens freedom, it is a selfless act of valor that is done without asking anything in return. Many of them have had to sacrifice their lives just so the rest of the people can live in a free and prosperous society. I feel honored to be a part of this thoughtful initiative by Aakash Educational Services and give my best wishes! We are grateful for the financial support that AESL has been providing to wards of defence personnel's."*

Students are chosen on the basis of certificates of their personal and educational background. They do not have to appear for any aptitude test for admission as is the case with the rest of the students. Many such students have gone on to obtain admission in prestigious medical and engineering colleges across the country like AIIMS, JIPMER, IIT etc.

Commenting on the scholarship for Martyr's wards, Mr. **Parmeshwar Jha, Regional Director, Aakash Educational Services Ltd** said, *"It is our humble endeavour at Aakash to thank the selfless service our armed forces provide to our nation. We are proud to have contributed in making a difference to the lives of around 70,000 children of Armed Forces heroes and are excited to extend the full scholarship for Martyr's children and scholarships for Defence Personnel's wards, this year as well. We have been taking this initiative since 2014 and every year it's an overwhelming experience that in some way touches an emotional chord in our hearts."*

The classroom programs offered at Aakash prepare students extensively for various examinations. The proven track record of Aakash can be attributed to its unique education delivery system which emphasizes on focused and result-oriented teaching methodology that focuses on conceptual and application-based learning. The expert faculty at Aakash are also trained to adopt modern and interactive teaching methods. Students who wish to take admission in Aakash can either take the instant Admission cum Scholarship Test (iACST) or register for ANTHE (Aakash National Talent Hunt Exam).

### **About Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL)**

Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL) provides comprehensive test preparatory services for students preparing for Medical (NEET) and Engineering Entrance Examinations (JEE), School/Board Exams and Competitive Exams such as NTSE, KVPY, and Olympiads. The "Aakash" brand is associated with quality coaching and a proven student selection track record in various Medical (NEET) and JEE/Engineering Entrance Examinations, Scholarship exams & Olympiads.

With over 33 years of operational experience in the test preparatory industry, the company has a large number of selections in Medical & Engineering Entrance Exams and several Foundation level Scholarship exams/Olympiads, a pan India network of 225+ Aakash Centers (including franchisee), and an annual student count of more than 250,000.

The Aakash group has investment from Think & Learn Pvt Ltd (BYJU'S) as well as by the world's largest private equity firm Blackstone.

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