

City school's aid for underprivileged children

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WITH the aim to collect aid for the underprivileged children in Guwahati, a city school organised 'Hope 2011', a fete, on the eve of Children's Day.

The event was organised by the Cambridge International School in the city.

The Charity Stall was one of the stalls in the fete where the students and parents of the school queued up to donate clothes, books, copies, educational stationeries, various food stuff and cash to various orphanages and children's homes in and around the city.

Talking to Seven Sisters Post, principal of the school P Bhattarcharyya said: "This is for the first time we have taken this initiative to support underprivileged children in the city and we will continue to do so in the future. We will donate all the stuff and cash collected on Children's day to the orphanages and children's homes like Matri Mandir, Ashalaya and Snehalaya among others. We will donate more than ₹ 20,000 in cash to the orphanages and children's homes."

"We are giving qualitative education to those who are economically strong but we are doing nothing for the

weaker section of the society," Bhattarcharyya said. "Therefore, we are extending a helping hand to the underprivileged children in the society."

The fete had various food and game stalls on offer for the children and it was run by the teachers and staff of the school.

"Very often our students visit orphanages and children's homes in the city to interact with underprivileged students and also to share their views," the principal said.

Appreciating the enthusiasm of the school authority, Kamal Kotoky one of the parents of a student said that

charity is more than religion and through charity one can get spiritual satisfaction. "I hope through this charitable work of the school will help the economically and physically weaker section in the society."

Another parent of a student Usha Sharma said that this charity work would teach the students how to help the underprivileged section in the society.

The students of the school also performed songs and dances on the occasion. A magic show by Anuj Das and an open quiz conducted by noted quizmaster Sallen Baishya were the other attractions at the fete.

APPRECIATING the effort of the school authority, a parent said one should work more for charity, specially to benefit deprived children, as it gives more spiritual satisfaction than religious practices