

Mothers Demand Quality Education, Awakens the SMC

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As in above picture we can see a woman is quarreling with two other women. It is not an ordinary fight between the two. Infact it is a mother's fight for her children's future with teaching staff at Jampur Rahim Yar Khan. This mother was made aware of the quality of education of her children during an ASER baithk at Jampur Rahim Yar Khan and she found out that her children are attending school regularly but are hardly learning anything. This made her angry at the school teachers. She wants to scrutinize all the teaching staff that is responsible for the poor education status. She said that these two teachers have no right to ruin the lives of her children.



Today during ASER baithk community of Jampur become sensitized about the future of their children wanted to take retribution from the teaching staff. Different mothers become harsh toward teachers after learning the poor learning levels of their children. Some mother said that they earn money after a hard work in the crop fields where temperature can be chill or plus 50 degree centigrade. After so much hard work they become able to pay twenty rupees monthly for each student. But today was the day of verdict for the teaching staff of Jampur who had nothing to say in their defense.

During Jampur ASER baithak parent decided that all teaching staff must be supervise by the parents. It was the first time in Jampur that teachers were standing in the court of parents. Particular mother said that teaching is a great profession but these teachers are not the teachers. They only want to earn from the school. On the other hand they are fully responsible for the poor literacy of all children. It was the first time in Jampur and that too only due to ASER baithak that teaching staff was facing community within the school's boundary.



All baithak participants decided that SMC members must check teachers while they are teaching or still wasting time of our children. On the other hand mother said that now they will also visit schools regularly and monitor teacher's teaching abilities.

Today all mothers who participated in ASER baithk were much distressed to hear the results of their children. From today onwards all parents will visit their respective schools and check the teacher's activities during the school time. On the other hand community demands a positive role of School Management Committee, meaning it wants the SMC to examine teachers' behavior towards students as well as education.

After some days when ASER team re-visited Jampur it became clear that SMC's of both boys & girls schools had been working vigilantly. Teaching staff of Jampur is also on its toes now as it knows it is being monitored. It is expected that by this quality of education in Jampur will surely improve in the future.

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