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Students' letters ask parents to vote

JAMSHEDPUR: Students in West Singhbhum district are learning about the Indian political system. They have been writing letters to their parents, requesting them to vote in the upcoming general elections.



Students participating in Rangoli competition to motivate voters for casting their vote in West Singhbhum

At least 3 lakh students from class 6 to 12 have started writing letters from April 1 and would conclude on April 8. Each of the students has been informing the parents and the elders about the importance of casting their vote.

These letters would be submitted at the Jharkhand Education Project (JEP) office on April 9. From there, the letters would be posted to the address mentioned by the students. West Singhbhum deputy commissioner Arava Rajkamal said that the administration had started the campaign to ensure 100% polling in the constituency.

"We had been running various election based programmes at the school level. Letter writing and other competitive events, based on the upcoming election would serve two purposes: the voters would be motivated to cast vote and the students would learn basics of the Indian political system including the elections", the DC said.

The administration organized painting, drawing, rangoli and other competitions among schools students, to highlight the importance of the elections. Students conducted awareness rallies along with door-to-door visits to motivate the locals to vote in the upcoming polls on May 12 for Singhbhum seat.

Ajju Kumar, head master in charge of Madhya Vidyalay Chhotanagra in Manoharpur said that such events highlighting the general elections were implemented in the schools for the first time. Students would develop political consciousness with it, he added.