Wayanad District team organises online classes for specially abled children through Television Channel

As the schools remain closed due to covid-19 lock down, classes are being given by making use of modern technologies. Hope you all would recall the ‘Making an Impact’ Article- 30, in which the details about BUDS institutions run by Kudumbashree for specially abled children associating with the Local Self Government Institutions was well explained. As the lockdown was notified, the functioning of these institutions also came to a stop. Now, our Wayanad district team organised online classes for the students of the BUDS institutions in the district. The classes are being telecast through Malanad Channel, associating with Nahla Charitable Foundation @ Wayanad.

The online classes are being given as part of the CLAP Wayanad Programme(CLAP- Comprehensive Learning Advancement Programme), which functions aiming at ensuring the continuous training and care of the differently abled children in the district who need special consideration. The classes are telecasted on every sundays and thursdays at 5.30
PM in Malanad Channel. The classes given include the lessons prescribed by SCERT (The State Council of Education Research and Training) guidelines for giving various therapies in their homes and other related topics as well. Parents and students may clear their academic and non-academic doubts by contacting in the whatsapp numbers shown in the screen while the classes are telecasted and they would be cleared in the upcoming episodes. There would be two parts in an episode. The lessons in the textbooks are dealt by the BUDS School teachers and the directions for performing various therapies are dealt by the experts in that field. The doubts of the parents would be cleared by the experts. There are 6 BUDS Schools and 5 BUDS Rehabilitation centres (BRCs) functioning under Kudumbashree in the district. 247 children are studying in these institutions. Through the online classes, the services of the experts from inside and outside the district are being extended.

The first episode of online class was telecasted on 7 June. 183 children of the BUDS institutions watched the classes. Also more than 1000 specially abled children in the district also watched the programme. After the re-telecast of the episode on every wednesdays, the video of the online classes would be uploaded in the facebook page of Malanad Channel. So, specially abled children from any corner of the world may make use of this programme. My appreciation to the district team who made this initiative happen.