

# *Ramakrishna Mission LP/ UP School : Shella*

**Dist : East Khasi Hills : Meghalaya**



## **RKM HS SCHOOL, SHELLA**

### History of the Ramakrishna Mission LP & ME School Shella

*In the year 1924, Ketaki Maharaj (Swami Prabhananda) arrived a small village, Shella in the Khasi Hills being a penniless stranger, fortunately one Bengali who worked as compounder in the Govt. Dispensary Disong Shella Welcome him in his house.*

*After knowing his objectives the, the compounder Sri Mahendranath Deb introduced Ketaki Maharaj to one of the village elders Sri Gouri Charan. Through the help of these gentlemen, Ketaki Maharaj met the village headmen Sri Jogidhan Roy and explained to him about his purpose. These gentlemen welcomed the idea that the Ramakrishna Mission should work among the khasis.*

A small beginning started with a Night-School for adult and Ketaki Maharaj himself taught the students. But Sri Gauri Charan was not satisfied with a night-school, he proposed for a day-school to impart education to the children. Sri Jogidhan Roy Wahadadar being a Brahma Samaj leader, offered the Brahma Samaj Building to conduct class for the student.

Due to the increasing number of students, it became a impossible for Ketaki Maharaj to tackle it alone. Therefore in 1925, he brought one teacher Sri Deven Roy from Sunamganj (Bangladesh) to help him. In the same year another Sanyasi Swami Archanananda Maharaj came to assist Ketaki Maharaj in his work. In 1926, one khasi gentleman Sri Monoj Ksanieng donated his land for the LP School building at Nongrum sheella and in 1927, the LP section was upgraded to ME section in 1962 one gentleman, Shri Kini Roy donated his land and a new ME School building come up at Disong Shella. Meanwhile the Shella Village Dorbar provided financial aid with Rs. 500/- per year. Which was helped the financial problem for some time.

**Some important alumni of Shella School :**

| <i>Sl. No.</i> | <i>Name</i>                           | <i>Sl. No.</i> | <i>Name</i>  |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|--|
| 1              | Shri Dilip Singh (IAS)                | 2              | Shri Arun Roy (MCS, retired)                       |
| 3              | Shri Bidro Dolloi<br>(Advocate)       | 4              | Dr. Donkupar Roy<br>(Ex-Chief Minister, Meghalaya) |
| 5              | Shri Gambhir Ksanieng<br>(MBBS, SDMO) | 6              | Shri Bibhu Mohan Roy (Advocate)                    |
| 7              | Oneito Riang (E E), etc.              |                |  |

# ***Ramakrishna Mission Secondary School : Shella***

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Before the Earthquake of 1987 there was a High School at Shella which was established and managed by the Baptist Mission. This school has produced famous person from this village like Late J J M Nichols Roy, Late R R Thomas, Late Jogidhan Roy and others. Unfortunately this school was destroyed by the earthquake in 1987. Since then no M.E or High School existed at Shella. The school existed in the village at that time were LP School only which were established and managed by the Presbyterian Mission.

It was a blessing to the Shella village when a monk of the Ramakrishna Mission, Swami Prabhananda (Ketaki Maharaj) came to the Shella village. He expressed his desire to open LP and ME School here with the consent of the village Headman and consultation with other prominent person of the village he was able to start a primary school in 1924 and later on it was raised to the standard to the ME school. This School also had produced many educated persons from the village like Shri Dilip Singh, retired IAS, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shri Arun Kumar, Retired IAS, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shri R S Lorit, Retired deputy Director, Education Govt. of Meghalaya, Dr. Donkumar Roy, Ex- Chief Minister of Meghalaya, Dr. G S Ksaniang, SDHMO Govt. of Meghalaya, Shri Oneito Riang, Engineer and others.

Parents who were well-off sent their children after their completion of the ME School in the village to other places like Cherrapunjee and Shillong to enable them to receive higher education but those students whose receive higher

education. But those students whose parents could not afford to send them outside had to stop their study.

In order to enable such students to continue their study and also due to the need of the present age the Shella Village durbar decided to open a high school in the village. The dream of the Shella Village was full field when the High School building was constructed on a land donated temporarily by one person, Late Suprabhat Swett at Disong Shella. At beginning the school building was a kuccha one built voluntary by the local people till its completion. After the completion of the school building, the Shella Village durbar along with school managing committee inaugurated it on 30.03.1989 and named the School "Shella Proceeding High School" Shella.

That the school should have its own fund, the Shella Village Durbar resolved that each and every household should donated Rs. 5/- to Rs. 10/- per month to the school fund especially the limestone exporters who donated Rs. 5000/- per month.

After running the school few months the school managing committee requested the inspector of schools, Shillong to inspect the school and according to his instruction and suggestions the school was run for some years in the hut with great difficulty.

Due to the responsibility of the School Managing Committee along with the local MLA Dr. Donkumar Roy was able to convince the then Chief Minister of Shri PA Sangma to lay the foundation stone for the new school building in 1990. So, the school building was shifted to the place where stands

at present. Soon afterwards the school received grants from the government for constructing the new said building and other purposes.

The village durbar run the school for many years. But for the purpose development and smooth running of the school to the Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama, Cherrapunjee in 2002 and thenceforward the school is known as Ramakrishna Mission Secondary School, Shella. Some of the important alumni of the school since it managed by the Mission are Shri Pyntyllilang Sanmiet (MBBS passed), Miss Shailamary Sanmiet Nurse, Smt.Madhurica Dkhar, Nurse and others.

| <i>Sl No</i> | <i>DATA</i>                               |   |
|--------------|---|---|
| 1            | Date of establishment & Inauguration Year | 1924 by Swami Prabhanandaji Maharaj               |
| 2            | Head Teacher/Principal                    | i. Late Woslin Chyne                              |
|              |   | ii. Smt Sandhya Rani Ksanieng (1995-2023)         |
|              |   | iii. Sri Arivazhagan Thirumugam (2022- till date) |
| 3            | Sec to HS                                 | Upgraded in 2023                                  |
| 4            | Opening Permission                        | i. LP to UP: <b>At Sohra</b>                      |
|              |   | ii. UP to Sec: <b>At Sohra</b>                    |
|              |   | iii. Sec to HS: 2023                              |
| 5            | UDISE                                     | i. LP : 17060612619                               |
|              |   | ii. UP : 17060612620                              |
|              |   | iii. SEC : 17060612620                            |
|              |   | iv. HS: 17060610501                               |
| 6            | Govt. Grants                              | From Sohra  |

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| 7  | Building                                   | LP : RCC Two Storied<br>UP & SEC : RCC - Three Storied |
| 8  | Minister / VIP who opened the school       | Late Donkupar Roy (Ex CM of Meghalaya)                 |
| 9  | VIP visited the school                     | i. Late P A Sangma (Ex Speaker of Lok Sabha)           |
|    |  | ii. Late Donkupar Roy (Ex CM of Meghalaya)             |
|    |  | iii. Sri V Shanmuganathan, (Ex Governor of Meghalaya)  |
|    |  | iv. Smt Patricia Mukhim                                |
| 10 | Recognition from the Education Dept        | At Sohra   |
| 11 | Affiliation with MBOSE (Aff No. with Date) | 10702 , 3rd Aug 2022                                   |
| 12 | Result (SSLC) (Beginniing till date )      | Refer Sheet 2  |
| 13 | Rank Holders                               | NIL  |
| 14 | Important Allumini                         | Already there  |
| 15 | Annual Strength (2024)                     | 311  |
| 16 | Geographical Area of School                | 40328 sq ft  |
| 17 | Old photos of the school/ Headmaster       |  |


