

# CASE STUDY ON VOCATIONAL EDUCATION TELANGANA



## Sushmita finds fun in learning as an Intern

I am a 11th class student from Telangana Model School, Karivirala, Suryapet. I joined this school in the 6th Class. I have always been interested in Science and wanted to become a doctor when I grow up. My father is an auto driver and my mother is a home-maker. My sister and I are the first in our family to go to school.

When I was in the 9th Standard, the vocational courses in Retail as well as Banking & Financial Services were introduced in my School. I attended an introductory session on both the courses and opted for the banking course as Madhu sir (the vocational trainer) made a very good impression on me. He explained about Importance of the banking sector and why it is important for everyone in this generation to know about banking and finance management. As a child, whenever I went to the bank with my parents, as uneducated folks from the village, they always used to request the employees in the bank to help them in filling forms, vouchers etc.

At that time I didn't know anything about banks and felt helpless to the troubled and anxious faces of my parents in such situations. As of today, I am helping them and also teaching them to filling vouchers, withdrawing cash, using POS to swipe debit cards, generating pin codes of cards and other such technical aspects. I am even helping my neighbors in opening bank accounts.



Many components of vocational education like Guest Lectures, Industry visits and Internships have been of value in order to gain hands on knowledge, skills and training in the banking sector.

**“The ongoing Internships programme has given me a tremendous opportunity to utilize my learnings in the class to working in a real bank. It is really fun and challenging at the same time. While I am getting to learn new things and become responsible, I am also growing more confident every time I go to the bank for my shift.”**

When we asked Sushmita again about her dream of becoming a doctor she said that she was not sure whether her parents could support her to become a doctor as the expenses would be a lot; but she felt confident now that she could take up a career in banking and become a bank manager.