

From the lips of a successful student

One of the success stories of NALCO's effort in providing education to students of tribal dominated region is Sri Sagar Hial aged 14 son of Sri Bipin Hial and Smt Eliza Hial of Bhitarbhejaput village who was sent to Bikash Vidyalaya, Koraput under NALCO's CSR scheme. Sagar is the third son among 4 sons of their parents. His father is a marginal farmer and mother is working as Anganwadi Worker in their village. Sagar was enrolled at Bikash Vidyalaya in class V under Nalco Foundation's residential education programme in 2012-13. Sahil Hial, the younger sibling of Sagar is also studying at Bikash Vidyalaya in class VII. The family lives in a 2 room asbestos house.



Before going to Bikash Vidyalaya, Sagar was just like any other boy in the village – playing with his mates throughout the day and going to the village Upper primary school occasionally, only to escape after the mid-day meal was served.



After joining Bikash Vidyalaya, Sagar started concentrating upon study and keep improving class by class. It is very proud to share that, Sagar by his hard labour, determination and support from teachers of Bikash Vidyalaya is able to crack Navodaya Vidyalaya, Koraput entrance examination this year conducted for admission of 1 seat in to class IX. He is the only student among 50 applicants to be selected and admitted at Navodaya Vidyalaya, Koraput during July 2016. It is worthwhile to share that Sagar is not only good in his studies now but also decent enough in extracurricular activities. To mention a few, he bagged 3rd prize in inter school essay competition held on the occasion of State level Tribal Mela – PARAB-2014 at Koraput. He also won 3rd prize in district level Debate completion in senior category held on the occasion of Utakal Diwas—2016 at Koraput.

Sagar and his parents are thankful to NALCO for providing the opportunity to both the brothers to study in schools with very good facilities. Sagar is not the only one but many students are excelling in their studies after getting the access to proper education facility through NALCO's CSR scheme.