



ARISE Impact

New Approaches towards Vocational Training for Blind Students

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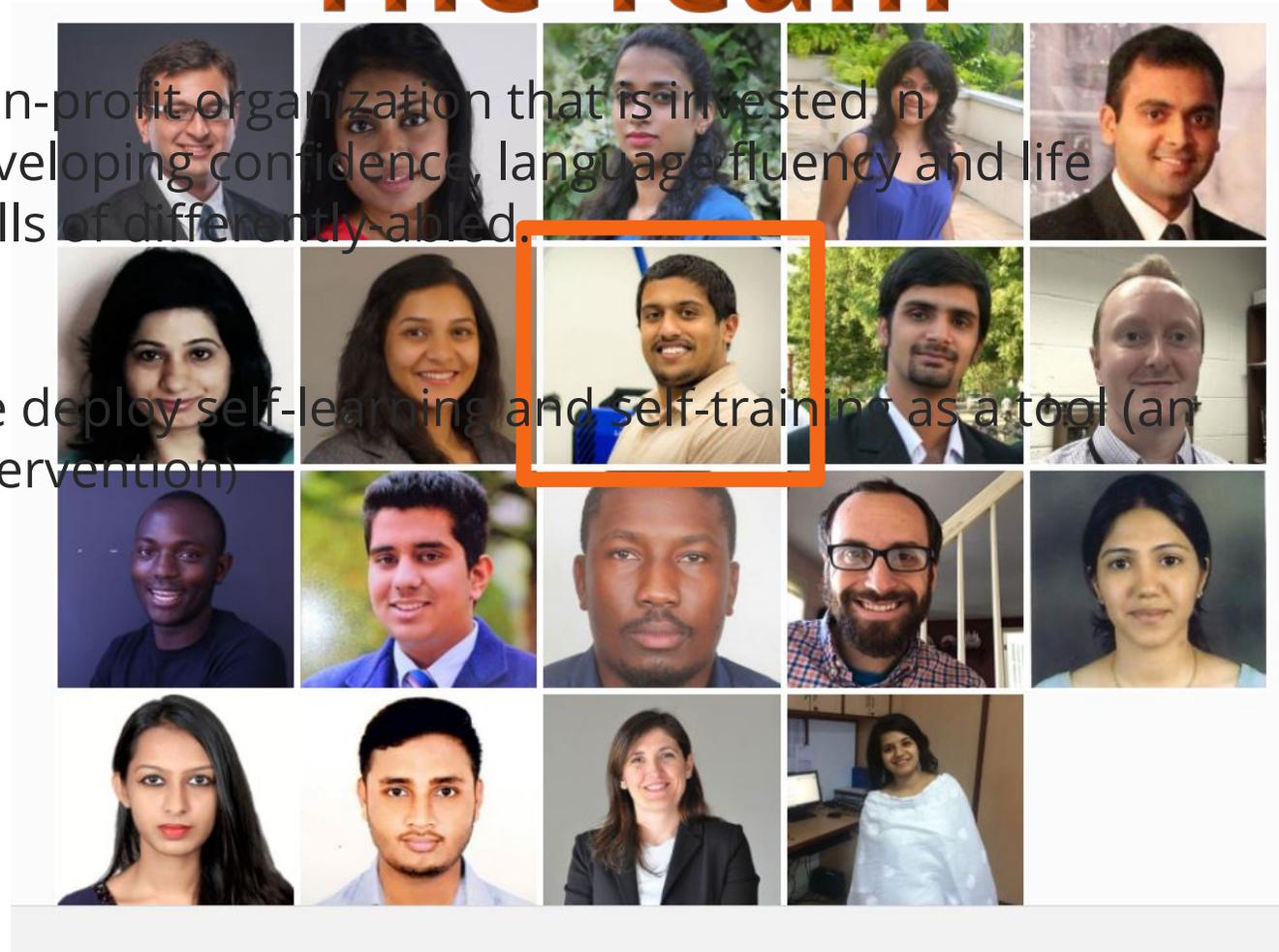
Let me first introduce you to ARISE Impact

The Team

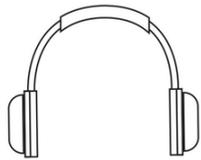


Founded in 2010 by Abhishek Syal

- Non-profit organization that is invested in developing confidence, language fluency and life skills of differently-abled.
- We deploy self-learning and self-training as a tool (an intervention)



Through our dedicated efforts we are proud to make significant strides that have impacted the people with disabilities positively.



Created and delivered 300+ audio-books to date



Over 1,000 blind children impacted



Increased engagement levels from 35% to 96%



Empowered self-learning with English fluency



Scaling our learning for a global approach

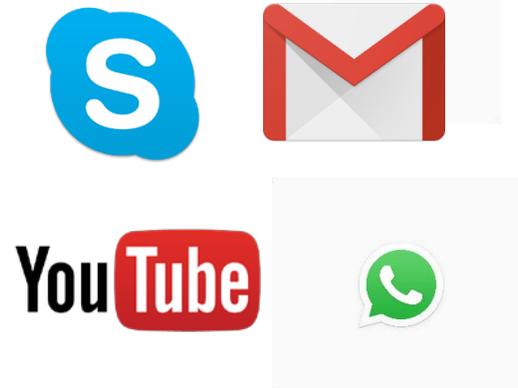
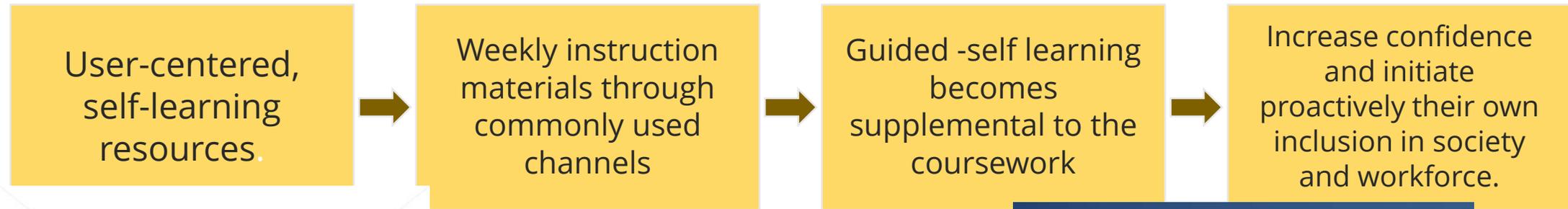


There continues to exist **major challenges** for *employing* and *educating* the people with disabilities

▪ *Employer-aversion* and Outcomes of *traditional teaching methods*



We duly realized the shortcomings and decided to address lifelong employability for people with disabilities



The **SPECIAL** Methodology was used to create user-centered resources

The core tenets of **SPECIAL** Methodology are:

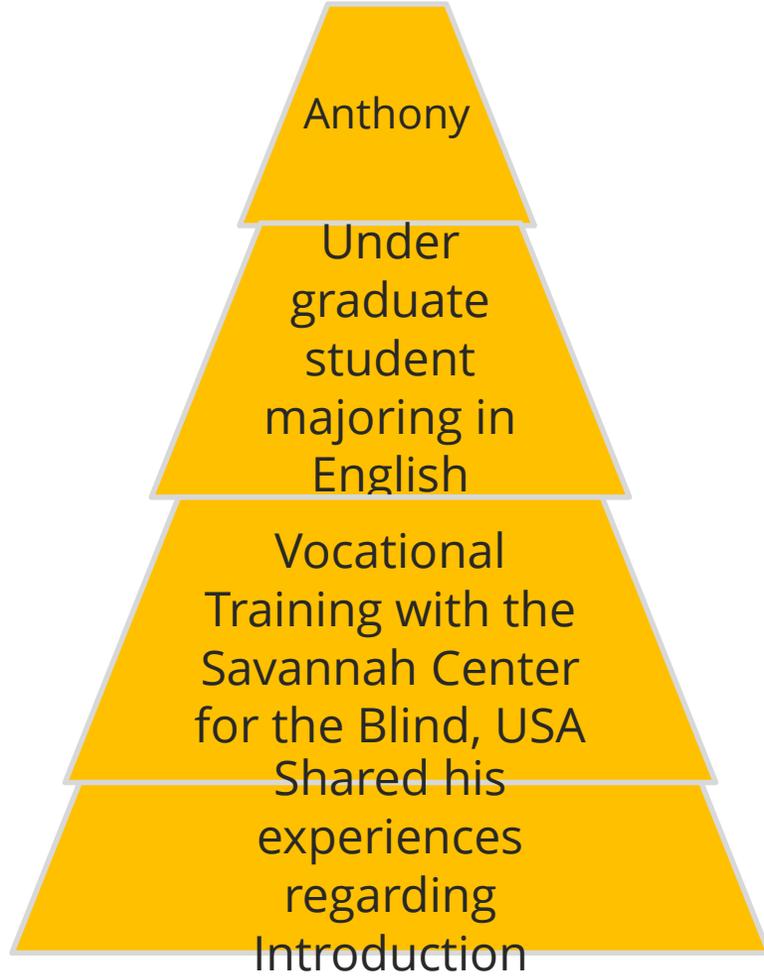
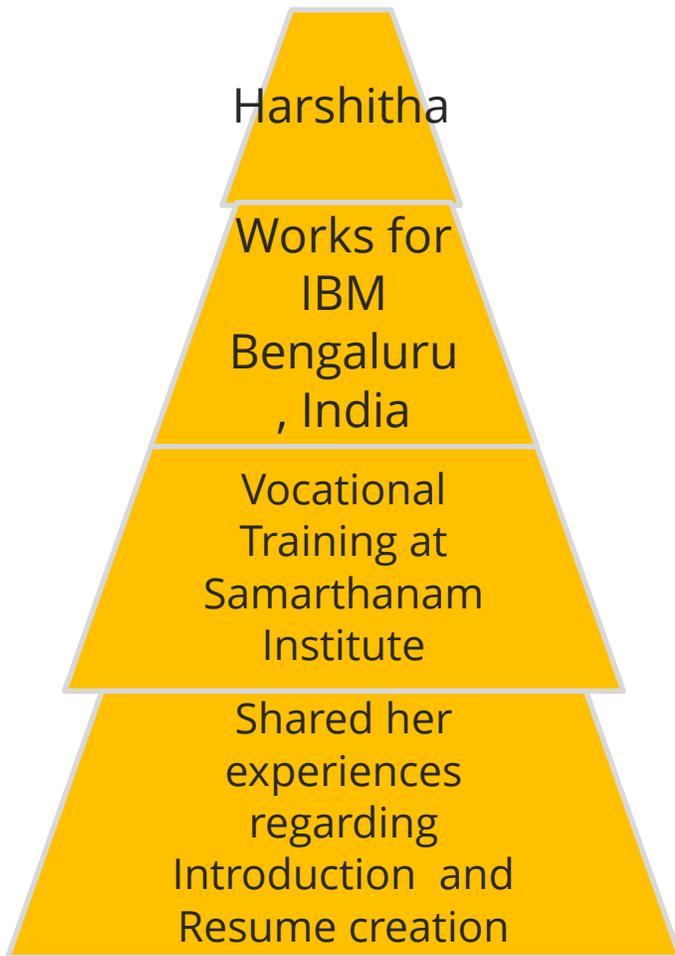
Story of Gurpreet:

1. **Integrating user stories** for end users
2. Single consolidated **bilingual**
3. Multiple iterative testing on
 - a. **Pace and pause:** enable
 - b. **Human narration:** To f
 - c. **Vocabulary:** ensure the
 - d. **Clarity:** easy understand





Lets us now observe how we have utilized this philosophy in our user stories modules and see how this has impacted the people with disabilities positively



Their user stories gave the differently abled important points to focus on to face the challenges in the world with grit and determination

Confidence

The pace of the instructions in the module is very good so everyone can understand it.

The examples were brilliant. I didn't expect an example to be included early on in the module

Communicating with people could be an excellent remedy,

but I really liked it and found it helpful."-- Sumit Mehta

Be honest and inform ***Disability is not a hindrance*** to achieve **success**

Inclusive work spaces





An important factor in our approach is the “**globally scalable localized learning**” with local partners and volunteers;

01

Impact the ecosystem as a whole, allowing **sustainable solutions long term.**

02

Gain **knowledge partners** and **local volunteers** who will bring in different perspectives.

03

Gain insight in to **regional accents**, vocabulary, terminology and **cultural nuances** for better understanding and relatability of our content.

04

Understand **different delivery methods** that are widely used in different cultures.



We have tried to be true to this and it has enhanced the quality of our resources that we develop



Madrid, Spain



Chandigarh, India



Dhaka, Bangladesh



Savannah, USA



And finally, there are some aspects that we wanted to reflect upon during the workshop

1. Sensitization surrounding people with disabilities
2. Inclusion of an agenda that focuses on interaction and accommodation of the people with disabilities during the employee training session.
3. The necessity for collaboration with local partners that can help develop user-centric educational modules.



