

Prabhakar becomes a Driver and supports his family.

Mr.Prabhakar hails from Hulikallu Village of Kalyandurg Mandal, Anantapuramu District. His family consists of 5 members. All are daily wage earners. This family has 2.5 acres of rainfed land and his father Pothanna grows rainfed crops. He belongs to SC community and they are living in a house constructed by the RDT.



G. Prabhakar studied up to 10th Std in his village and could not continue his education as his family was unable support for his higher education. He started working as daily agriculture labour to support his family, though reluctantly. The daily wages were low but he had no other option.

What makes him join the AF Driving School

Prabhakar was not happy with his low earnings and low self esteem. He wanted to learn some vocational skills and have better earning and better social status. At that time, he came to know through AF field staff about AF Driving School at Kalyandurg which is imparting high quality training to rural youth in Driving.

G. Prabhakar attended the interview and got selected for a LMV driving course. He took admission and undergone a 75 days training in AF Driving School at Kalyandurg. During the training period along with driving skills he was also provided trainings on Personality Development, spoken English, First Aid, Aids awareness etc. in order to make him a professional driver as well as a fuller human being. The School also paid for his Insurance Coverage, travel charges and Driving test fee. Mr. Prabhakar attended the training regularly and he was provided more than 50 hours of driving practice with different type of vehicles along with theory classes. He passed the Driving competence test in first attempt itself and secured LMV Driving License and Driving certificate.

The change brought in candidate by the AF Driving School

Prabhakar has improved his Personality into a more responsible person with better Communication Skills. The Spoken English and training on First Aid are very useful to him in his daily work. In this training he learnt all the road signs, transport laws, statutory requirements and also soft skills required for a good driver.

AF Driving School also supported him in getting a job within 20 days after passing out. He got a job in Kalyandurg itself with an initial monthly salary of Rs. 2,400/- + allowances. In the first

few months he could not support his family but later his salary was increased to Rs 4000/- and he started giving part of his salary to his family. Now he is earning more than Rs 6000/- as salary per month.

Mr. Prabhakar is now happy that he is professional driver and his earning has improved. Equally important he is respected by his friends, relatives and his community. He is happy that he found a great change in his behavior, communication skills and self confidence. His parents are also happy that their son has become a skilled person and a good individual. He is the first person in the family to go to a better occupation with upward mobility. He has inspired many other youth of his village to join AF Driving School. The response from other youth of his village and neighbouring villages was over whelming as many of them approached the AF Driving School for learning Driving Skills.

AF Driving School has trained many youth who are now supporting their family like Mr. Prabhakar. They all experience a better living condition than their parents and grandparents by breaking away from their traditional occupation of farm labour and hopefully a big leap forward for the future generations.