



## National Director visits the Assam Valley School (AVS)

14-17 May 2010 Sonitpur, Assam



[L to R: Campus Cleaning, Weaving, Obstacle Course]

The never ending expanse of the green tea estates, was indeed metaphoric of the great endless opportunity! A trip to the North East India is a must for all, and more so for the youthful ones. Assam Valley School may seem cut off and away, but is indeed in the thick of 'equip for life', the young people here live the Award.

A three day visit gave me a true Award experience, with the bonus of wonderful photos for our stock. Joining the Award participants on the obstacle course, at the games field, in the skills arena and then on to the Eco-tour trail, did give me a good feel of the life and the wonderful quality of the Award Programme at the School. Mr. Pradhan the energetic Award Leader and the effervescent Mr. Derek Montford deserve a big thanks for this once in a life time experience.

We look forward to the setting up of the first Youth Engagement & Society (YES) Centre at the School. The proposed Open Award unit will establish the leadership of the School and their Management and reaffirm the commitment to the development of youth power in the north east.

- Sandeep Dutt, National Director

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## Award Ceremony at AVS

May 15, 2010 Sonitpur, Assam

Thirty young boys and girls were presented Bronze Awards at an Award Ceremony during the School Assembly. The entire AVS community was there to cheer the Award winners, and to have real fun! The seven minute address by our National Director- Sandeep Dutt, was from the bottom of the heart and conveyed the message to be fit for life while having great fun.

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