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Graffiti serves as reform tool

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NAKASHIPARA, Aug. 8: Graffiti may not be welcome in most parts of the world, but in Sibpur, it plays an important role. Anti-superstition and anti-drugs graffiti painted all over the walls in this village under Nakashipara police station immediately catch your eye. The effect is encouraging: a villager of Sibpur now goes to the primary health centre for antidote after a snake bite rather than going to a charmer for charms.

This is the fruit of the efforts of *Nadia Sibpur Sai Sadguru Samiti*, a religious organisation established in 1999, which is involved in educating

poor students, fighting superstitions, organising medical camps, eradicating child labour and many other such activities for the betterment of Sibpur.

Mr Amit Biswas, the chairman of the *samiti* says: "We are not doing anything extraordinary, we are merely performing certain duties towards the society. By this, some of the villagers have been aided but the need is more while our capacity is less. We are educating only 35 students of the village but there are more students in the village who are meritorious and need help."

Besides educating poor students, the *samiti* organises free medical camps for the villagers each year.