

## A school in Hubballi gets a facelift

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Ajay Prabhu at the computer lab

*Techie brothers extend helping hand to alma mater*

Two brothers from Hubballi, who made it big in the field of engineering, have now extended a helping hand to improve their alma mater, which is facing a funds crunch.

The Government Junior Technical School (JTS) located at Vidyanagar in Hubballi is one among the six such schools in the State where engineering subjects are taught at the high school itself (Class VII onwards). And it is one among those neglected schools.

Eight years ago, when alumni Ajit Prabhu and Ajay Prabhu (now Chairman and COO respectively of Quest Global) visited it, it was in a shambles. They decided to take up works to improve the infrastructure in a phased manner.

### Computer lab

On Saturday, Chief Operating Officer of Quest Global Ajay Prabhu dedicated the newly set-up computer laboratory, with 10 computer systems and other facilities, to the students. A computer instructor has also been sponsored by the company to teach the students. So far, the brothers have taken up painting of the school building and workshop building, repair of classroom cupboards, waterproofing of the roof, repair of the lathe machine and provided lab material (fitting, carpentry, machine shop and electrical), chairs and tables for the teachers. Mr. Ajay Prabhu said they had plans to set up a science laboratory for the school next year.

Principal Sumitra Kokane said that the school, which comes under the ambit of Department of Higher Education, did not receive much funds but help from alumni had improved the state of affairs in recent years.

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