



Background

As the name 'RourKela' stands for "Your Village", RourKela Trekkers Club has started with developing the remote villages of Rourkela (Your Village) as tourism villages.

We are dedicated to support remote villages & help them directly with alternate source of livelihood. #Homestay #Eco-Tour #Adventure





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CREATING PASSIONATE MOUNTAINEERS

Ashok Vardhan Mishra of Sundargarh has been training children in mountaineering for free in Bartoli village since July this year Prasanjeet Sarkar brings out his story

ing to youngsters to help them

adventure sport and career

option. He founded the Rour-

kela Trekkers Club for the

purpose in July this year.

These 40 children, all from

poor socio-economic back-

pleted their basic mountain-

A resident of Bartoli village near RS Colony, Mishra

has set up Kapisa Adventures

provides mountaineering

training and expedition serv-

ices. He, however, had to re-

turn to his hometown from

Delhi following the Covid-19

outbreak. "I realised that de-

spite the presence of moun-

tains in Rourkela, no one was

eering training course under

the guidance of Mishra.



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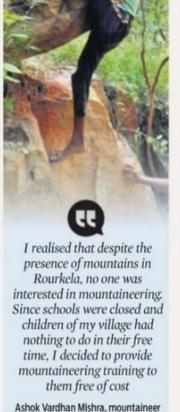
t's 5 am. Before his parents wake up. 8-year-old Chirayu Oram preps up to climb the hill adjacent to Bondamunda RS Colony along with other children in the neighbourhood. For the next three hours, they learn the various nuances of mountaineering and sports climbing under the watchful eyes Pvt Ltd in New Delhi which of Ashok Vardhan Mishra, a professional mountaineer. There has been no break in this morning ritual for at least 40 children - in the age group of 8 to 15 - of Bondamunda RS Colony near Rourkela for the last five months.

Mishra, the first qualified interested in mountaineermountaineer of Sundargarh ing. Since schools were closed

and children of my village had nothing to do in their free time. I decided to provide mountaineering training to them free of cost", says Mishra who has authoured five books on expeditions. He has also been creating awareness about mountaineering and sport climbing among the youth in his village.

Helping him in the initiative is his acquaintance and farmer Bisra Oram. Birsa convinced the parents of the children to send them to Mishra for free mountaineering training. His two sons including Chirayu are also training with Mishra.

Recently, he set up an artificial 16-ft-high climbing wall for the children at his house. mission The Rourkela Trekkers Club has currently enrolled 60 children including 50 from poor tribal background and 40 of adventure village. He them have completed their has been imparting free trainbasic training. "I actually started this as an experiment take up mountaineering as an but more and more children and youth evinced interest in learning mountaineering. So, I decided to make the training an everyday affair", says Mishra, a degree holder in mountaineering course in Ut-ture village.



tarkashi. He started his career as a professional mountaineer in Delhi in 2009 and has climbed many numerous mountains across seven countries.

Mishra says he targets to train all children in his village - around 250 - in mountaineering, basic rock climbing, sports climbing in due management studies who course of time which will grounds, have already com- quit his bank job to take up a turn Bartoli into an adven-



Ashok Vardhan Mishra with children of the village | EXPRESS



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