

LAQSH Job Skills Academy's focus is to develop and empower India's secondary and senior secondary school students with vocational skills. Through a theoretical in-class education coupled with a practical On-the-Job Training (OJT), skills training in schools has become holistic. Students in class XI and XII are given the opportunity to work at reputable companies that complement their in-class learnings and reinforce the practical competencies.

Students are empowered to create their own future; to exceed their potential in the classroom, in the world, and beyond. The stories shared by students below illustrate the power of skills education in LAQSH's banking, financial services, and insurance (BFSI) programs in Chhattisgarh.



Meenakshi is in class X at GGHSS Nevra School in Raipur. Now that she has gone through the theoretical education and began the practical experiential portion, she has had the opportunity to refine her skillset and realizes it's actually fun!

She helps clients' fill out their forms and excels with customer service, learning a great deal about how to mitigate customer concerns.

She aspires to be like her older brother – his undying passion for studies inspires Meenakshi and she values that he takes the time to also help with her studies. When she's not working away on her OJT, you can find Meenakshi dancing, another passion of hers.

Isha studies at GHSS Kosrangi School in Raipur. She is the sixteen-year-old daughter of a farmer and a teacher and the first in her family to go through BFSI training. Her Class XI experience has been extremely positive – Isha's bright smile lights up her face and shows how much she enjoys learning with LAQSH.

Isha through the OJT is able to actually see the impact she's making and the value her work has. In-class she learned how to handle a customer, and her OJT has given her the ability to put this tool to practice. She has learned how to open accounts and has mastered form filling, specifically withdrawal and deposit forms.

Isha was very worried about taking BFSI, as she thought there would be too much maths, and she felt maths to be her weakest subject. But now, she could not be happier she was enrolled in BFSI! She adores her OJT experience and notices a huge difference in her thought process. The training has increased her confidence exponentially! When not at school or the bank, Isha loves to cook and practice fashion design. She loves Manish Malhotra and hopes to pursue a career similar to his.

