

EDUCATION CONCERN

(Society for Development of Persons with Special Needs)

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Education Concern Society is moving forward to achieve its laid down objectives of providing qualitative services in the field of rehabilitation education. Started in the year 2013, Education Concern Society has completed eleven year of its existence. The Society is still confronting many challenges.

The year 2023-24 remained full of events and achievements. Proudly stating Society has got a team of professionally trained and dedicated team of Social Educators and Therapists. During the year 2023-24 remarkable achievements have been made at both units of the Society i.e Phoolwari (A School for Children with Hearing Impairment and Learning Disabled) and College of Special Education (Diploma in Education Special Education (Intellectual Developmental Disability)).

Detailed reports related to Phoolwari and College of Special Education are given hereunder.

Phoolwari:- During the year 2023-24 **05** students have made outstanding progress and shifted to mainstream/normal schools. Their brief details are given as under:

1. Chhyan S/o Sh. Keshav: - Chhyan aged 4 years has got Intellectual Impairment and Autism. He had problems related to communication, academic, personal and social areas. He stayed with us at Phoolwari for one session. He made very good progress during the year and shifted to a normal school in April, 2024.
2. Krish S/o Sh. Mukesh: - Krish aged 15 years has also got Boarder Line Intellectual Impairment and Delayed Speech and Language. During his stay with us at Phoolwari , he has shown remarkable improvement and he has been shifted to normal school after completing academic session 2023-24.
3. Pránjal D/o Sandeep: - A 12 Years old girl having Intellectual Impairment of mild category along with Autism continued on roll with Phoolwari for two year. Belonging to a village of district Bhiwani she was commuting every day alongwith her parents. With regular training at Phoolwari (which comprised special education, occupational,

speech and behavior therapy) she made good progress and she shifted to a normal school.

4. Karitkeya S/o Sh. Suman: - A student aged 9 years, having ADHD with Slow Learning, joined Phoolwari at the beginning of the session 2023-24. He was given Occupational Therapy Behavior Therapy and Special Education. He has made good improvement and finally moved back to his home town Pilani (Rajasthan) in April 2024.
5. Jaideep S/o:- Sh. Dalbir Singh Jaideep, aged 15 years having severe Hearing Loss and normal Intellectual Development, remained with us at Phoolwari for more than two years. During this period he made good progress. He was very good in drawing. After completing the session 22023-24, he left Phoolwari and joined a mainstream school.

The services like therapeutics and special education remained the main focus throughout the year 2023-24. During this year 62 students were on roll and a total of 14 staff members gave the services out of which 07 were special educators and therapists. A brief report of all the sections is given hereunder:-

- (a) Special Education Services:- The core areas of focus of services is special education. A systematic and scientific protocol is followed while providing special education services to the students on roll. After detailed assessment and selection of goals as per needs of each student, special educators help students to master those skills. Periodic evaluation is done at regular interval until those skills are achieved by each student. With the joint efforts of special educator and parents each student has made good progress.
- (b) Speech and Language Therapy Services:- Children with intellectual impairment quite often are having speech and language related disorders. A Majority of these children have delayed speech and language disorder. Our Speech Therapists have helped these students to develop speech and correct misarticulation. Many of these students have made good progress in attaining the level of speaking new words.
- (c) Arts and Craft Training Services:- All the students on roll have been given training as per their level and needs. This has helped students to improve their eye-hand coordination and muscular dexterities.
- (d) Physio-Occupational Therapy Services:- During the year 2023-24, 04 students having muscular deformities have been given physiotherapy services. In addition, 05 students

having Autism and Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder have been given therapeutic interventions by the Occupational Therapist. All the students have made good progress.

(e) Sports/Play Activities Training Services:- During the year 2023-24 all the students on roll have been given exposure for play activities of informal and formal sports as per their ability level. Some of the students having Hearing Impairment/Intellectual Impairment and having better ability related to formal sports have been given training in related sport. During the year 2023-24 some of these students have taken part in sports competition at State Level for Hearing Impairment and Intellectual Impairment.

Three students having Hearing Impairment have participated in 5th Haryana State Games of Deaf Bhiwani on September 29th, 2023. Their participation and results are given hereunder:-

<u>Name</u>	-	<u>Sports</u>	-	<u>Result</u>
1. Bhavik	-	Badminton	-	Stood Second
2. Gaurav	-	Race and Badminton	-	
3. Tanishk	-	Race and Badminton	-	

Six students having Intellectual Impairment have Participated in Special Olympics Bharat Haryana State Athletics Games, Gurugram on December 7th, 2023. Their participation and results are given hereunder:-

<u>Name</u>	-	<u>Sports</u>	-	<u>Result</u>
1. Mehak	-	50 Mts. Race	-	
2. Arunoday	-	50 Mts. Race	-	
3. Dishant	-	Shotput	-	3 rd Position
4. Kartik Pawaria	-	Shotput	-	
5. Prince	-	Shotput	-	
6. Veer Dalal	-	Soft Ball Throw	-	

(f) Music and Dance Training Services:- Music and Dance are used as therapy as well as source of entertainment. During the year 2023-24 all the students have been given opportunity to participate in Music and Dance activities. Some these students have made good improvement.

(g) Celebration of Important Days:- During the year 2023-24 important festivals and days have been celebrated. Such celebrations give an opportunity to staff and students to plan and work together. This also gives an opportunity to know the value of the festival/day.

College of Special Education:- Diploma in Education Special Education (Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities) a two year full time course with 35 seats started by the Society in November 2022, after granting recognition by the Rehabilitation Council of India, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India.

The course classes of the first batch (2022-24) continued in April 2023 (During the year 2023-24). Theory classes continues with emphasis upon giving essential inputs as per the Course Curriculum of D.Ed. (SE) (IDD) classes of practical papers were also organized giving students of Diploma an exposure about working with children having Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

Internal half-yearly theory examination were conducted as per the syllabus covered during May 2023. From May 22nd, 2023 to June 2nd, 2023. All the students appeared for the internal half-yearly theory examinations. After checking the answer sheets, the students were given back the feedback giving them an opportunity to look in their strength and weaknesses.

The External Practical Examination of first year of batch (2022-24) were conducted from August 7th to 9th 2023. After External Practical Examinations the students were given time to prepare for External Theory Examinations which were conducted from September 9th to October 8th, 2023.

Classes of 2nd year of batch 2022-24 started from October 12th, 2023. Theory Papers and Practical Papers of 2nd year were started by the faculty as per laid guidelines by the Rehabilitation Council of India.

In November 2023, RCI declared the results of Diploma Courses. 15 students out of 33 students remained successful while the remaining got reappear in one to three subjects. The highest score was 79% by Ms. Shruti Ahuja.

During second year the students were taken to Govt. Girls Sr. Sec. School, Model Town, Rohtak for giving lessons in Inclusive School. They were also given theoretical and practical exposure related to Therapeutics i.e. Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy and Behaviour Therapy which will help them in understanding the needs of children with special needs and Knowing about the therapeutic modalities.

New Batch 2023-25:-

The process of admission to new batch 2023-25 started with the announcement of the admission process by the Rehabilitation Council of India in May-June 2023. 35 students were admitted to the Diploma in Education Special Education (IDD) as per guidelines issued by the RCI, New Delhi. Theory and Practical classes of the 2nd batch (2023-25) were started from August 16th, 2023.

Theory as well as Practical Classes continues as per laid guidelines of the RCI. The faculty of our Training Institute gave opportunity to these students to work with Special Needs students by conducting assessment, finalizing goals to work with and practically helping special students to achieve those skills/goals with a stipulated period of time and finally evaluating the same.

Classes continued in a proper manner with focus upon the syllabus. Internal Theory Examinations were conducted from 26th March 2024 to 1st April 2024 with an Objective to give a chance to students to access themselves.

Skill Development- Our College focused upon skill development of students during the training period. They have been encouraged to take part in co-curricular activities like Sports, Music and Dance, Declamation Contest, Group Discussions etc.

Celebrations:- During the year 2023-24, our Diploma students have taken part in Important Days Celebrated throughout the year.

World Autism Awareness Day:- We celebrated this day on April 2nd, 2023. Students prepared pictures and charts with relevant slogans A Declamation Contest was also conducted on this occasion.

International Yoga Day- Yoga Day was celebrated on June 21st, 2023. Diploma students participated in performing Yoga and helping special needs students in learning Yoga Aasans

Independence Day:- Independence Day was celebrated in the Institute. The students participated in the programme with full of enthusiasm. A painting and Art and Craft competition was organized.

Swach Bharat Mission:- On 1st October 2023, this Day was celebrated in the Institute. All the students selected a slum area of the city and took part in the cleanliness drive.

Dussehra Celebration:- On 23rd October 2023, the Day was celebrated by participating in ritual and cultural activities.

Diwali Celebration:- On 10th November 2023, Diwali was celebrated. Students participated in Puja, enjoyed firework and had sweets.

CRE Programme:- A Local Level CRE Programme was organized upon the topic "Social Security and Legal Aspect in Disability Rehabilitation" from 8th-9th 2024. 43 professional participated in the CRE Programme. Resource Persons shared the updated information with the participants.