# ASSOCIATION FOR THE WELFARE OF HANDICAPPED Annual Report for the Year 2020-2021

#### INTRODUCTION

Association for the Welfare of Handicapped has completed 29 years of its working. The organization was started in a rented building, presently it has its own building of 1984.40 sq. yard. All the services being provided are free for the beneficiaries. No discrimination has been made on the basis of caste, colour, creed, religion and gender.

#### SCHOOL FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED

62 hearing impaired students received education during the year. The mode of providing education was virtual (online) due to pandemic( covid 19). New admissions were not taken during the year. 8 Hearing impaired students passed class 5<sup>th</sup> successfully and left the school. 8 special educators provided virtual education to students but in the month of March, 2021 school opened with the permission of the Education Department of Haryana Government. 40-50% students attended physically while rest of the students attended virtual classes. School authorities followed all the protocols required during pandemic. Be it written permission of the parents, sanitization of the school on regular basis, measuring of students temperature coming in and going out and hand sanitization of students etc. school authorities have kept the individual record. Hostler students could not derive benefit of this facility physically.

Besides education extra-curricular activities, art and craft, gardening, etc. have been taught by the teachers during virtual classes. Educators put in their best efforts. Physical presence of the students was deeply missed in the school. Educators had to work even harder as some students could attend the session in the morning and some others can in the evening

according to the availability of the smart phone or other devices. Educators left no stone unturned .

Special educators took periodic exams virtually. This was a new experience for both teachers and students. Special Educators tried to give their best and succeeded too.

School has well ventilated rooms. All the class rooms have 'C' shaped or 'U' shaped furniture. This is suggested for the hearing impaired children so that they can lip read their teacher. There is a sound treated room available for Audiology and speech therapy. Separate toilets are available for boys and girls. Solar system has been installed in the school building. Air-coolers, fans, lights, water cooler, R.O. water purifier plant are available for students.

#### HOSTEL FACILITY FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED STUDENTS

Hostel facility is available for the hearing impaired children who have no access to education in their nearby area. Most of the students come from rural areas.

Due to pandemic (covid-19) students could not avail the facility this year. But students received education through virtual mode. They passed their exams online only.

Facilities available to the hostler students are –well ventilated rooms, dining hall, fans, room coolers, water cooler, safe drinking water, lights, geyser, clean and hygienic bedding etc. Indoor and outdoor games are also available for the students.

A Cook, two Helpers, a Matron are there to take care of their washing, cleaning, food and their home work respectively. Healthy meals are being provided with the consultation of a dietician.

## INTEGRATED OR INCLUSIVE EDUCATION TO DISABLED CHILDREN

Two special educators are providing education to 104 disabled children in Jind and Safidon Blocks of District Jind, Haryana under the scheme of "Inclusive Education for Disabled at Secondary Stage".

### **HOME FOR THE SENIOR CITIZENS**

In the beginning of the year 29 aged grannies were residing in the home. 6 grannies left the home during the year and 5 new residents joined the home. One female member expired during the year. By the end of the year 27 residents remained in the home -16 female and 11 male.

Well ventilated rooms, dining area, 8 bathrooms, kitchen, medical room, court yard are there in the home. Dormitory stay is available - separate rooms for male and female. Room coolers, heaters, Air purifiers, geysers, refrigerator, fans, lights, television, safe drinking water etc. are available to make their stay pleasant.

A care taker, cook, sweeper, 2 helpers, a psychologist, nurse, social worker, multi-tasking staff, doctor on call are there to take care of the senior citizens.

Three meals and two teas are being provided during the day. Meals include fruits, vegetables, milk, yoghurt, salad, lentils etc. Fancy meals are being prepared on festivals and special occasions.

Holy scriptures, indoor games, news paper, television are available for their recreation. Excursions could not take place due to pandemic (covid19) this year. The grannies are free to go to religious places and can visit their relatives but this year due to the situation it was less frequent. This decision was taken keeping their safety in mind.

Few health check up camps were held during the year :-

- Thermal screening test was conducted by QRG Hospital Sector 16 Faridabad in April, 2020.
- B.K. Hospital conducted two general health check-up camps. They
  distributed masks and medicines also.
- Helpage India conducted another medical camp and distributed general medicines to grannies.
- In the month of March 2021, Nursing staff of B.K.Hospital Faridabad organized a mental health awareness camp.

District Social Welfare officer Smt. Sushila Devi honored the senior citizens on 1<sup>st</sup> October on the occasion of World Senior Citizens Day. She also planted trees on the campus.

Besides these activities several personalized services are being provided. The organization tries to give their best in every possible way. But this is not possible without the support of Government of India, State Govt. of Haryana and our esteemed donors.

The Association is grateful to every single person whosoever has contributed in every which way.

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