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Jyoti Kiran School- An Inclusive School

EXAMINATION AND RESULTS

Oral and written revision tests of children were conducted under the Saturday activities in the month of April 2017. **Final examinations** of Jyoti Kiran School (JKS) were conducted from 17th to 28th April 2017. The report cards were distributed on 6th May 2017. **Dr Amitabh Mehrotra** (Founder Director and Chairperson, SPARC-India), members of SPARC-India, teachers, staff & children of JKS and their parents were present on this occasion. *Dr. Mehrotra distributed the result cards and the certificates to the students.* The results were as follows:



Foundation: Four students of foundation block passed in the examination and were promoted to Block A. Ashish stood first, Pranjal came second and Aadarsh stood third in the block. Ansh secured consolation prize.

Block A: Four students of Block A passed in the examination and were promoted to Block B. Suraj (first), Jaywant (second), Eesha (third) and Zoya were the successful students.



Block B: Four students of Block B passed in the examination and were promoted to Block C. Vinay (first), Sanjana (second), Niyaz (third) and Anshi were the successful students. Vinay was integrated in a regular school.

Block C: Four students of Block C passed the examination. Izhaar (first), Eram (second), Sonal (third) and Imran were the successful students. Izhaar and Anup were integrated in a regular school.

SUMMER CAMP

The 3 week **summer camp** of Jyoti Kiran School commenced on 8th May 2017. In the summer camp children were taught art, craft, poem recital, songs and dance.

Art: Ms. Alka Verma and Ms. Kiran Rastogi taught art to children in the summer camp. Children drew beautiful drawing which were later displayed in the valedictory function.



Craft: Ms. Archana Verma, Ms. Richa Dikshit and Ms. Ruchi Mehrotra taught craft to children in the summer camp. Children were taught paper pasting, how to prepare bedroom and house out of foam, thumb / palm / foot printing drawings, fish and lion out of disposal glasses, tie and dye on handkerchief etc.



Poem recital: Ms. Ruchi Mehrotra, Ms. Archana Verma taught poems to children in the summer camp. They practiced poems ‘*dhakka maaro – dhakka maaro*’ and ‘*inci-vinci makdi upar chad gayi.*’

Songs and Dance: Ms. Kiran Rastogi, Ms. Anju Tewari and Ms. Alka Verma taught children singing and dancing in the summer camp. They prepared a welcome song and an action song (*prem se hamko jeene do*).



VALEDICTORY FUNCTION OF SUMMER CAMP

The *valedictory function* of the summer camp was held on 31st May 2017 at the Jyoti Kiran School. SPARC-India’s Jyoti Kiran School conducted a four-week summer camp at its Madiyon premises in Lucknow. In continuation of our efforts towards creating an inclusive environment and inculcating its importance in children, both children with disabilities of Jyoti Kiran School and non-challenged children from the community participated in this summer camp. Children were taught art, craft, rhymes, storytelling, vocational, music and dance. Children actively and enthusiastically participated in all the events.



Mr. Uma Shankar Singh (President, SPARC-India), **Mr. Umair Usmani** (Vice President, Aegis Ltd.), **Mr. Srinivas** (Airtel), **Mr. Pallav Joshi** and **Ms. Kavya** (Tata Consultancy Services), **Mr. Brajesh Seth** (Shalimar Corps.) and **Dr. Amitabh Mehrotra** (Founder Director and Chairperson, SPARC-India) were present at the event.

The guests were welcomed by children with bouquet which was followed by a welcome song. Children performed a fancy dress show in which some of them were dressed as a tribal, a fairy, a maulana and a pandit. This was followed by dances on different songs. Children gave mesmerizing performances at this event demonstrating that if given a chance they can prove their mettle. Audiences present on this occasion were enthralled by these performances. Certificates were distributed to the participants of the summer camp and awards were given to best parents. Parents shared their experiences on this occasion. An exhibition of the articles prepared by children in the summer camp was held in the school.



On this occasion Dr. Mehrotra reiterated the importance of inclusion in the society and the benefits of inclusive growth. He also talked about the contribution of SPARC-India in the society.



ART BASED THERAPY (ABT) TRAINING PROGRAM

Four staff members of Jyoti Kiran School participated in *Art Based Therapy (ABT) training program* held at Yashodham High School, Goregaon East, Mumbai from 29th May 2017 to 5th June 2017 which was organized by Heal Foundation, Mumbai. **Ms. Anju Tewari, Ms. Richa Dikshit, Ms. Varsha Mehrotra** and **Mr. Manoj Singh** participated in this training program. The main aim of the training program was the skill development of teachers so that they could make their sessions with children with special needs more lively so that the children could relate and participate in the sessions without being scared



of being judged. The course was divided into two sections:

- The first session was Subtle Energy Guide which dealt with how to improve oneself as a person.
- The second section consisted of Visual Art, Drama & Rhythm training techniques.

Many activities were conducted during the training to better understand various ways of dealing with children with special needs. Drama therapy could help children to think and act. Rhythm therapy is useful for almost every child with or without special needs. The ABT kit & musical instruments were provided to all the candidates for their future ABT sessions. Pilot project has started and the candidates have started conducting their respective ABT sessions.

BUS DONATION CEREMONY

State Bank of India *donated a 26 seat school bus* to SPARC-India on 27th June 2017 at its Main Branch in Hazratganj, Lucknow. **Mr. Haridas K. V.** (Deputy Managing Director, Retail Business, State Bank of India, Lucknow), **Mr. Gautam Sengupta** (Chief General Manager, Lucknow Circle, State Bank of India), **Mr. S. K. Mendevell** (Assistant General Manager, State Bank of India, Lucknow), **Mr. Sudhir Halwasiya** (Social Worker), **Dr. Amitabh Mehrotra** (Founder Director and Chairperson, SPARC-India), members of SPARC-India, teachers, staff and children of Jyoti Kiran School were present on this occasion. State Bank of India Officials handed over the keys of the bus to Dr. Mehrotra in the presence of the guests. Dr. Mehrotra presented a certificate of thanks to the State Bank of India officials. Refreshments were served to everyone present.



Livelihood Resource Centre (Skill Development Program)

GOVERNMENT APPROVAL OF THE BUILDING

Once the funds were received from ICICI Bank the application was forwarded to the Department of Empowerment of persons with disabilities (Divyangjan), Government of India through the Office of the Commissioner for Persons with disabilities at Rajkiya Drishtibadhit Chhatron ka Chhatrawas, Vidya Bhawan Campus, Nishatganj, Lucknow for re-starting the 3-month residential project. Once the permission was received we started the re-establishment of the building for the commencement of the program. Livelihood Resources Centre (LRC) building was closed since last one year and hence it required a lot of maintenance before the project could be restarted.



SPARC-India has been provided 6 rooms on the first floor (including activity area) and the second floor (including activity area) on rent at Rajkiya Drishtibadhit Chhatron ka Chhatrawas, Vidya Bhawan Campus, Nishatganj, Lucknow by the Government.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND PRE PROGRAM PREPARATIONS

- The maintenance of the building started with the cleaning of rooms, corridors, activity area, labs etc. Staffs were constantly present to monitor the cleaning and setting up of the furniture.
- The maintenance of computers for the computer lab was performed by an engineer and a functional computer lab was setup.
- Retail & BPO labs were also setup which included both newly purchased as well as old equipments.
- New staffs for the vacant positions were hired for running the centre smoothly and effectively.
- Staff room and office were setup.
- Classroom and activity area including furniture setup were done by employees.
- Purchasing of stationary, kitchen items, washroom requirements etc for the smooth running of the program were done.



- About 60 probable candidates were contacted and invited for the screening process.
- Candidates were screened by the staff. A profile of the candidate background, written and spoken English was prepared for the selected candidates.
- Syllabus for the respective modules to be covered in the program along with the time table were prepared and other official preparations were done by the staff.



Vocational Unit

SURVEY AND SET UP

A *survey* was conducted by SPARC-India team which included **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch), **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and volunteers in Kanshiram Colony of Alambagh, Lucknow to identify women with disabilities (WwDs) and women from the marginalized section of the society. The target ratio of the WwDs versus the non-challenged women was 75:25. 30



women have enrolled for the training program at the Kanshiram colony, which include 17 WwDs and 13 non-challenged women from the marginalized section of the society. The building for the training centre was located and rented. 5 other women, under the program are getting training at the Madiaon centre. Out of these 5 women, 3 are WwDs and 2 are non-challenged women.

INAUGURATION

The *inauguration ceremony* of Sankalp Stitching Centre was organized on 5th June 2017 in Kanshiram Colony, Hans Kheda, Para, Alambagh, Lucknow. The chief guest of the event was **Mrs. Mridula Mehrotra** (Head, Vocational Unit). Mrs. Mehrotra inaugurated the centre and provided detailed information about the centre and its facilities. **Ms. Rani Verma** (Trainer, Vocational Unit), **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch), **Ms. Vijay Lakshmi** (Assistant Trainer, Sankalp Stitching Centre) and **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) were also present at the event.

After inauguration, Mr. Yadav talked about the objective of the centre and provided information about the various government entitlements like aids and equipments that could be availed by WwDs. He further discussed the admission procedure, rules & regulations, batch duration (6 months) etc. Currently the stitching centre has 5 sewing machines (4 hand driven sewing machines and 1 foot driven sewing machine). The raw material to be used during the training program was provided to the centre by SPARC-India.

Since the inauguration, regular classes are conducted and the trainees are following the rules & regulations. So far the trainees have learnt the cutting of petticoat & salwar-suit, turpan and kaj-button. The centre runs two batches of 2 hours each.

TRAINING AT MADIAON CENTRE

The vocational unit at Madiaon centre enrolled 35 girls in the current quarter for the 6 month stitching training program. All the girls enrolled in this program belong to the marginalized section of the society. The trainees of the program currently can stitch petticoat, blouse and salwar-suit.



Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch (UPVM)

MEETING WITH CABINET MINISTER OF DISABILITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Mr. Suraj Yadav (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch) *met* with **Honorable Shri Om Prakash Rajbhar** (Cabinet Minister, Disability Development Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh) and **Dr. Amit Kumar Rai** (District Disability Development Officer, Lucknow) on 4th April 2017 at Hotel Clarks Awadh, Parivartan Chowk Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *ensure that schemes of National Handicapped Finance Development Corporation (NHFD) under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MSJE) Government of India were properly implemented, to discuss the status of education of Children with disabilities (CwDs) in Uttar Pradesh and to emphasize on the need for the appointment of a Block Level Officer for persons with disabilities (PwDs)*. It was also stressed in the meeting that all the entitlements given by the government should be through one window of Disability Development Department.



MEETING WITH DEPUTY STATE COMMISSIONER

Mr. Suraj Yadav (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch) *met* with **Mr. S. K. Sonkar** (Deputy State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities) on 6th April 2017 at Vidya Bhawan Campus, Nishatganj Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *discuss about the issues faced by persons with disabilities (PwDs) while travelling in Uttar Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation (UPSRTC) buses*. It was emphasized that every bus should have the guidelines for PwDs on them.



PROJECT STRENGTHENING MEETING OF WORLD VISION INDIA

A two day *strengthening meeting* was organized by World Vision India under its ACCESS project in collaboration with Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch (UPVM) on 12th - 13th April 2017 in Ballia District of Uttar Pradesh. The main aim of the meeting was to *strengthen Disable People Organization (DPO) leaders by capacity building*. The Chief Guest of the meeting was **Mr. Krishna Kant Rai** (District Handicapped Development Department Officer, Ballia). **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch) was invited as a resource person / trainer. About 40 – 50 DPO leaders were present in the meeting.



UNESCO STUDY IN MATHURA

A *study* was conducted by Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch (UPVM) and SPARC-India for UNESCO on 27th April 2017 in Mathura District of Uttar Pradesh. The main aim of the study was to *identify if the entitlements and benefits provided by the government have so far reached the children with disabilities (CwDs) in schools*. **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch) and **Mr. Somesh D. Bajpai** (Program Manager, SPARC-India) conducted the study.



They also met **Ms. Pratibha Misra** (Mathura District Coordinator, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan) and discussed about the entitlement implementation scenario in the district. Naujhil Integrated Rural Project for Health Development (NIRPHAD) coordinated the meeting with the District Coordinator and the schools in the district. A mix of Government Schools, Government Aided Schools and Private Schools were chosen for the study. The study included topics viz. are ramps constructed in school, are parents of CwDs involved in the SMCs and are CwDs taken into consideration while preparing the School Development Plan (SDP) etc.

UNESCO STUDY IN AGRA

A *study* was conducted by Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch (UPVM) and SPARC-India for UNESCO on 28th – 29th April 2017 in Agra District of Uttar Pradesh. The main aim of the study was to *identify if the entitlements and benefits provided by the government have so far reached the children with disabilities (CwDs) in schools*. **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch) and **Mr. Somesh D. Bajpai** (Program Manager, SPARC-India) conducted the study. They also met **Mr. Kuldeep Tiwari** (Agra District Coordinator, Inclusive Education, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan) and discussed about the entitlement implementation scenario in the district. Integrated Institute of Rehabilitation for the Disabled (IIRD) coordinated the meeting with the District Coordinator and the schools in the district. A mix of Government Schools, Government Aided Schools and Private Schools were chosen for the study. The study included topics viz. are ramps constructed in school, are parents of CwDs involved in the SMCs and are CwDs taken into consideration while preparing the School Development Plan (SDP) etc.



ACADEMIC YEAR COMPLETION OF BHARTIYA BADHIR VIDYALAYA

On 3rd May 2017, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch (UPVM) participated in the *first academic year completion celebration of Bhartiya Badhir Vidyalaya (BBV)*, which is a project run under Deaf Empowerment and Academic Foundation, held at its premises. The chief guests on this occasion were **Mr. Sudhir Halwasiya** (Social Activist) and **Mrs. Madhuri Halwasiya** (Wife of Mr. Sudhir Halwasiya). **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch), staff of BBV, parents and well wishers from the deaf community participated in the program. Mr.



Yadav shared the work he had done so far, through the network, for persons with disabilities (PwDs) in UP. He also talked about how he is making a big difference in their lives by

empowering them so that they could solve their own problems and helping them in getting loans to start their own business etc. This was followed by a presentation of the work done in the first academic year in BBV given by the staff of BBV which was followed by parents' feedback. Mr. Halwasiya praised the work done by BBV.

MEETING WITH DIVYANGJAN SASHANKTIKARAN VIBHAG, UTTAR PRADESH

A *meeting* was held with officials of Divyangjan Sashanktikaran Vibhag, Uttar Pradesh on 11th May 2017 at Indira Bhawan, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *obtain input from the participants on the prepared State level rules and regulations draft of RPD Act 2016*. **Dr. A. K. Verma** (Joint Director, Divyangjan Sashanktikaran Vibhag, Lucknow), **Mr. Akhilendra Kumar** (Joint Director, Disability State Commissioner for PwDs, Government of Uttar Pradesh), **Dr. Amitabh Mehrotra** (Founder Director and Chairperson, SPARC-India), **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch), members of SPARC-India and Heads of different Civil Society Organizations in Uttar Pradesh were present in the meeting. Disability Development Department of Uttar Pradesh had prepared State Level rules and regulations related to the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPD) Act 2016 and in the meeting the officials wanted the CSO members to give their inputs on the prepared rules and regulation so that it could be incorporated in the final draft.



FOLLOW UP MEETING AT GAZIPUR

A *follow up meeting of the network* was organized by Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch (UPVM) on 26th May 2017 at Yaduwanshi Sikshan Sansthan, Gazipur. The prime objective of meeting was to *follow up on the issues that were discussed in the meeting held on 21st March 2017*. **Mr Parasnath Yadav** (Secretary, Yaduwanshi Sikshan Sansthan), **Mr Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch), **Mr Virju Yadav** (President, District Chapter, UPVM, Gazipur) and **Mr Dharamraj**



(Secretary, UPVM, Gazipur) were present in the meeting. About 40-50 PwDs attended the meeting. After a brief discussion on the works and activities conducted in 2017 a follow up was

done on the issues discussed in the previous meeting. It was found that 2 persons with disabilities (PwDs) were able to get a loan of Rs. 1 Lac each under the National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) Scheme.

CITIZEN VOICE ACTION (CVA) GROUP MEETING

A two day *State level CVA Group meeting* was organized by World Vision India for its ACCESS project on, 29th and 30th May 2017 at Anandi Water Park. The main aim of the meeting / training was to *motivate DPO members*. **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch) was invited as a trainer in the meeting. About 120 PwDs from 16 districts of Uttar Pradesh participated in this event. DPOs were motivated to connect to Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch (UPVM) through this program so that from time to time they could know about their rights and entitlements and thereby avail them.



FOLLOW UP MEETING AT KHAIRABAD

A *follow up meeting* related to the challenges faced while working as DPO leaders was held on 8th June 2017 at Khairabad, Sitapur. The main aim of the meeting was to *conduct a follow up of the previous meeting held on 26th February 2017 and discuss challenges faced by the DPO leader in carrying out DPO work*. **Mr Suraj kumar Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch) was invited as a trainer at this meeting. **Sister Concilia** (Director, Jeevan Jyoti Organization), staff of Jeevan Jyoti and about 30 members of DPOs were present at the meeting.



EMPOWERMENT MEET

An *empowerment meet* was held on 18th June 2017 at KKC Campus in Lucknow. The meet was organized by Deaf Empowerment Academic Foundation (DEAF). The main aim of the meeting was to *empower the Deaf on Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPD) Act 2016*. The Chief Guest on the occasion was **Prof. S. D. Sharma** (Principal, KKC) and **Mr. Mayank Sharma** (Social Worker) was the Guest of Honour. **Mr. Dharmesh Singh** (Principal, Bhartiya Badhir

Vidyalaya), **Ms. Geetanjali Nair** (Secretary, Deaf Empowerment and Academic Foundation), **Mr. Vimalendra Tomar** (President, Uttar Pradesh Badhir Federation) and **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch) were also present on this occasion. Mr. Yadav was invited as Key Speaker and trainer in this event. About 80 Deaf Adults from 9 districts of Uttar Pradesh participated in the meeting.



PEACE RALLY

A *peace rally* was organized by Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch (UPVM) on 27th June 2017 from Convention Center near Buddha Park to Shaheed Smarak, Kaiserbagh, Lucknow. The main aim of the rally was to *commemorate the birth anniversary of Helen Adams Keller, commonly known as "Helen Keller Day"*, who was an American author, political activist & lecturer and the first **deaf-blind** person to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree. The Chief guests **Mr. Sudhir Halwasiya** (Social Activist) and **Dr. Amitabh Mehrotra** (Founder Director and Chairperson, SPARC-India) along with other special guests **Mrs. Anupama Maurya** (Deputy Director, Divyangjan Sashaktikaran Vibhag, Government of Uttar Pradesh) **Dr. Amit Kumar Rai**, (Divyangjan Sashaktikaran Adhikari, Government of Uttar Pradesh) and **Mr. Suraj Yadav** (Secretary, Uttar Pradesh Viklang Manch) inaugurated the rally. Nearly 500 persons with disabilities (PwDs) and Civil Society Organization (CSO) members from different societies like National Association for the Blind, Chetna, Sarthak Foundation, Jeevan Jyoti, etc. attended the rally from about 20 districts of Uttar Pradesh.



At Shaheed Smarak Mr. Halwasiya talked about Helen Keller's achievements. Dr. Mehrotra discussed Helen Keller's positive thinking and positive attitude towards life and how

she tackled the problems in her life in order to continue her education despite being a person with multiple disabilities. Mr. Yadav thanked all the respected persons and guests for giving their valuable time to this event and for attending the rally.

Community Based Rehabilitation Programme (Jan Vikas Samiti)

1. BAL SAMUH MEETINGS

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT KADAM RASUL WARD

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 4th April 2017 in Kadam Rasul Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *discuss the importance of education and to follow up the issues discussed in the previous meeting*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 11 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 3 boys and 7 girls. In the meeting children were motivated to attend school regularly.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT AYODHYA DAS WARD

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 6th April 2017 in Madeyaganj of Ayodhya Das Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *discuss the importance of education and health in a person's life*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 11 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 9 boys and 2 girls. In the meeting children were motivated to get up early and go to school regularly. They were told to be properly dressed in school. They were asked to regularly do their class work and home work. Basic etiquettes that a child should follow were also discussed in the meeting. Children were told about the importance of taking a bath daily and ways to remain healthy.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT KHADRA

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 8th April 2017 at the Anganwadi Kendra in Khadra, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *create awareness in children about the*

importance of self help groups (SHGs). The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 16 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 7 boys and 9 girls. In addition to the importance of SHGs they were also informed about how they could solve their problems through self help or mutual help.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT FAIZULLAHGANJ WARD

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 15th April 2017 in Naubasta of Faizullahganj Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *discuss the importance of education and health in a person's life.* The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 9 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 2 boys and 7 girls. In the meeting children were motivated to get up early and go to school regularly. They were told to be properly dressed in school. They were asked to regularly do their class work and home work. Basic etiquettes that a child should follow were also discussed in the meeting. Children were told about the importance of taking a bath daily and ways to stay healthy on a daily basis.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT AYODHYA DAS WARD

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 18th April 2017 in Makkaganj of Ayodhya Das Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *discuss the importance of education and health in a person's life.* The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 18 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 9 boys and 9 girls. In the meeting children were motivated to get up early and go to school regularly and regularly do their class work and home work. Children were encouraged to be friendly with peers. Children were told about the importance of taking a bath daily and ways to remain healthy.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT FAIZULLAHGANJ WARD

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 20th April 2017 in Semra of Faizullahganj Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *follow up on the information that was given in the previous meeting.* The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 12 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children

included 4 boys and 8 girls. In the previous meeting it was informed that in order to avail the Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust, the child with disability should have Disability Certificate, Aadhaar Card, Birth Certificate and Ration Card. The process of availing these certificates and cards was also discussed in the last meeting. After follow up of the last meeting the field workers tried to find out how many people have yet not availed the certificates or cards.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT FAIZULLAHGANJ WARD

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 13th May 2017 in Naubasta of Faizullahganj Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *provide information about Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 10 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 3 boys and 7 girls. The Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust were discussed in the meeting and the parents / guardians were encouraged to get their children enrolled in the school. The field workers informed that in order for the children to be linked with these National Trust Schemes they should have Disability Certificate, Aadhaar Card, Birth Certificate and Ration Card.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT AYODHYA DAS WARD

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 15th May 2017 in Madeyaganj of Ayodhya Das Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *provide information about Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 12 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 7 boys and 5 girls. The Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust were discussed in the meeting and the parents / guardians were encouraged to get their children enrolled in the school. The field workers informed that in order for the children to be linked with these National Trust Schemes they should have Disability Certificate, Aadhaar Card, Birth Certificate and Ration Card.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT BHARAT NAGAR

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 17th May 2017 in Bharat Nagar, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *provide information about Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 8 children including children with disabilities

(CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 3 boys and 5 girls. The Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust were discussed in the meeting and the parents / guardians were encouraged to get their children enrolled in the school.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT KADAM RASUL WARD

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 20th May 2017 in Kadam Rasul Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *provide information about Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 9 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 3 boys and 6 girls. The Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust were discussed in the meeting and the parents / guardians were encouraged to get their children enrolled in Jyoti Kiran School.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT KHADRA

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 22nd May 2017 at the Anganwadi Kendra in Khadra, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *provide information about Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 9 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 2 boys and 7 girls. The Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust were discussed in the meeting and the parents / guardians were encouraged to get their children enrolled in Jyoti Kiran School. Information was given to the parents about how to avail Income Certificate and Birth Certificate.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT AYODHYA DAS WARD

A *Bal Samuh meeting* was held on 23rd May 2017 in Makkaganj of Ayodhya Das Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *provide information for availing Income Certificate and Birth Certificate*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 7 girls including girls with disabilities and non-challenged girls and their parents / guardians. The process and the documents needed for the formation of Income Certificate and Birth Certificate were discussed in the meeting.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT KADAM RASUL WARD

A ***Bal Samuh meeting*** was held on 8th June 2017 in Kadam Rasul Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *create awareness to enroll children with Cerebral Palsy (CP) and mental retardation (MR) in schools*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 9 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 4 boys and 5 girls. The Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust were discussed in the meeting and the parents / guardians were encouraged to get their children enrolled in Jyoti Kiran School. In the meeting they were also given information about Income Certificate and Birth Certificate.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT KHADRA

A ***Bal Samuh meeting*** was held on 15th June 2017 at the Anganwadi Kendra in Khadra, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *provide information about Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 9 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 5 boys and 4 girls. In the meeting field workers talked about the importance of education. The Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust were discussed in the meeting and the parents / guardians were encouraged to get their children enrolled in Jyoti Kiran School. Information was given to the parents that they can avail Income Certificate and Birth Certificate from Lok Vaani and Nagar Nigam respectively. Both these documents are required for admission under Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT BHARAT NAGAR

A ***Bal Samuh meeting*** was held on 16th June 2017 in Bharat Nagar, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *provide information about Right to Education (RTE) Act and Disability Pension*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 9 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 3 boys and 6 girls. The participants were informed about the RTE Act, 2009 and the pension schemes. Information was given to the parents about the procedure to avail Income Certificate and Birth Certificate.

BAL SAMUH MEETING AT AYODHYA DAS WARD

A ***Bal Samuh meeting*** was held on 24th June 2017 in Madeyaganj of Ayodhya Das Ward, Lucknow. The main objective of the meeting was to *provide information for availing Income Certificate and Birth Certificate*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India) and 10 children including children with disabilities (CwDs) and non-challenged children and their parents / guardians. The children included 6 boys and 4 girls. The process and the documents needed for availing the Income Certificate and the Birth Certificate were discussed in the meeting.

2. DISABLE PEOPLE ORGANIZATION (DPO) MEETINGS

DPO MEETING AT FATIMA NAGAR

A ***DPO meeting*** was held on 10th April 2017 in Fatima Nagar, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *provide information about the pension scheme and the follow up of the issues discussed in the previous meeting*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 20 persons with disabilities (PwDs) and members from the community. PwDs included 6 men & 13 women.

DPO MEETING AT KADAM RASUL WARD

A ***DPO meeting*** was held on 13th April 2017 in Kadam Rasul Ward, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *provide information about Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust to the DPO members*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 8 persons with disabilities (PwDs) and members from the community. PwDs included 4 men & 4 women. Along with the information of the Schemes, the field workers also informed the participant about how to avail Income Certificate.

DPO MEETING AT FAIZULLAHGANJ WARD

A ***DPO meeting*** was held on 20th April 2017 in Semra of Faizullahganj Ward, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *follow up on the information regarding the schemes and entitlements that are provided by the government which was given to the members of DPO in the previous meeting*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 10 persons with disabilities (PwDs), parents of children with disabilities (CwDs) and members from the community. The field workers discussed about the different schemes and entitlements like Disability Pension, aids & appliances, marriage incentive, loan for establishing shop etc that are provided by the

government for PwDs. Follow up of the previous meeting brought to light that 2 people still had not availed the benefits that were discussed in the previous meeting.

DPO MEETING AT KADAM RASUL WARD

A *DPO meeting* was held on 22nd April 2017 in Iradat Nagar of Kadam Rasul Ward, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *provide information to the DPO members about the loan provided by the government for establishment of a shop*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 9 persons with disabilities (PwDs) and members from the community. PwDs included 4 men & 5 women.

DPO MEETING AT FAIZULLAHGANJ WARD

A *DPO meeting* was held on 24th April 2017 in Yash Nagar of Faizullahganj Ward, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *provide information to the DPO members about the loan provided by the government for establishment of a shop and the process to avail Income Certificate*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 8 persons with disabilities (PwDs) and members from the community. PwDs included 4 men & 4 women.

DPO MEETING AT KADAM RASUL WARD

A *DPO meeting* was held on 10th May 2017 in Kadam Rasul Ward, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *provide information to the DPO members about the process to avail Income Certificate and Birth Certificate*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 12 persons with disabilities (PwDs) and members from the community. PwDs included 6 men & 6 women.

DPO MEETING AT AYODHYA DAS WARD

A *DPO meeting* was held on 11th May 2017 in Madeyaganj of Ayodhya Das Ward, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *provide information to the DPO members about the process to avail loan*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 9 persons with disabilities (PwDs) and members from the community. PwDs included 6 men & 3 women. It was informed that in order to apply for loan one must have a bank account and PAN card.

DPO MEETING AT FAIZULLAHGANJ WARD

A *DPO meeting* was held on 12th May 2017 in Yash Nagar of Faizullahganj Ward, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *provide information to the DPO members about Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 11 persons with disabilities (PwDs) and members from the community. PwDs included 6 men & 5 women. Along with information on Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust, the field workers also told them about the process to avail Income Certificate and Birth Certificate.

DPO MEETING AT KADAM RASUL WARD

A *DPO meeting* was held on 10th June 2017 in Kadam Rasul Ward, Lucknow. The main aim of the meeting was to *provide information to the DPO members about the marriage incentive given by government in regards to marriage of a person with disability*. The meeting was attended by **Mrs. Shyama Devi** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), **Ms. Shaheen** (Field Worker, SPARC-India), 10 persons with disabilities (PwDs) and members from the community. PwDs included 6 men & 4 women. They were informed that the government gives an incentive award for marriage of PwDs which was Rs. 14,000/- in the case of female partner or both the spouse being disabled. But if only the male partner is disabled then the amount was Rs. 11,000/-. PAN Card is a must for it as it is a prerequisite that both the spouse should not be paying any income tax. The field workers also talked about the importance of education and discussed the Disha and Vikas Schemes of National Trust. They also discussed about the process to avail Disability Certificate as it is a pre-requisite for the enrollment under these National Trust schemes.