

DEAFBLIND MULTIPLE DISABILITY PROJECT ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21 INTRODUCTION:

National Association for the Blind (NAB), Maharashtra, Nasik

NAB Unit Maharashtra State branch came into being in 1984 with initiative of Shri Deokisanji Sarda, Hemant Takle and Ashok Bang. With its modest beginning, now, after almost 30 epochal years, it has become a formidable NGO giving all round services to our visually impaired and physically disabled brothers and sisters through our district branches in the state of Maharashtra. The welfare services, ethics, culture, devotion, volume and sincerity with which NAB (Unit Maharashtra) is working has been noticed and recognized by the society, State and Central Government as well as other renowned social agencies and NGOs in the country.

Deafblind Unit-

A new and more challenging welfare task of reaching out to persons with deafblindness was started in the year 1999 with the financial and technical assistance from Sense International India, Ahmedabad, also known as Sense India. This deafblind unit in Nasik is one of the few centres for children and adults with deafblindness and multi-sensory impairments (MSI) in Maharashtra. Currently, there are 76 children with deafblindness are being looked after, trained and groomed according to their individual needs. Fully convinced about our performance, capacity and ability to handle this project, Sense international India requested us to start similar activity in our Nagpur,

Sholapur, Dhule, Ahemadnagar (Shrirampur) district branches. The project has brought measurable change in the lives of persons with deafblindness in the region.

ACTIVITIES

- 1. Under the pandemic, from September 1, 2020 online education started for students.
- 2. Diwali sweets were distributed to 73 students.
- 3. In the month of October 2021, scholarship forms of 43 students were submitted to the Social Welfare Department.
- 4. The annual results of the students were prepared in December 2020.
- 5. On February 03, 2021. Governor Hon. Bhagat Singh Koshiyari visited the school on the occasion of BhumiPujan program of the proposed hostel.
- 6. On February 05, 2021, all the employees were tested for corona virus.
- 7. 3 students who have passed 10th were felicitated in the Adarsh Vidyarthi and ShikshakPuraskar program and were given cash prize of Rs.1000/- each
- 8. Under Medical and Nutrition support programme, 10 students were given Rs.6000/-each for nutrition support and 9 students were given 5000 /- each for medical support.
- 9. In March, 2021 Niramaya Health Insurance Form was filled by 50 students.

- 10. From September 2020 till today, ration kits were distributed to 40 students for the last 6 months.
- 11. We started giving Physiotherapy to students during the home visits.
- 12. During this period, students were given online training on activities like making paper bags, jewellery making, medical pocket making, panati painting and home management.

Training and meeting

- 1. On 16th and 18th September 2020, Mrs. AnuradhaBaghchi, Director, Helen Keller Institute, gave guidance to teachers and parents on how to conduct online classes during the lock down.
- 2. On September 08, 2020, Mr. Srinivasan, Mr. Reflino, Mr. Sachin Rizal, Mrs. KalyaniJadhav of Sense International India held a meeting on how to create an online education schedule.
- 3. From December 10 & 11, 2020, Mr. Rashmikant Mishra, Senior Training Officer, Sense International India, conducted an on-site meeting.
- 4. Special Educators Participated in a webinar on Barrier Free Environment on 3rd December 2020 on the occasion of World Disability Day.
- 5. On 19th December 2020, the Director of Sense International India, Mr. Akhil Paul, Mr. Rashmikant Mishra, Mrs. KalyaniJadhav gave guidance on the functional assessment and evaluation of the Deaf Blind persons.

6. Online State level advocacy meeting was held on 24th and 25th February 2021. It was attended by 35 parents. They discussed the problems they are facing in the state and how to overcome them.

Awards

- 1. In the Adarsh Vidyarthi and ShikshakPuraskar program organized by NAB on 06 February 2021, 3 students who have passed class 10 of the Deafblind project were felicitated. They were awarded a certificate and a cash prize of Rs.1000/- each.
- 2. On September 5, 2020, Mrs. KavitaDeore, a special teacher, was given the Ideal Teacher Award by the Rotary Club of nasik.

❖ SOME GLIMPSES OF THE PROJECTS

1. COLOURING ACTIVITY









2. ACADAMIC ACTIVITY-

• BRAILLE READING ACTIVITY



• BRAILLE WRITING ACTIVITY



3. Sign language activity





- MATHS
- NUMBER WRITING



• MONEY CONCEPT ACTIVITY-



• TIME CONCEPT-



• **COUNTING ACTIVITY-**



• YOGA



• **FESTIVAL**



• CAPACITY BUILDING OF PARENTS & TEACHERS







