



# INTEGRATED INSTITUTE FOR THE DISABLED

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Integrated Institute for the Disabled was established on 15<sup>th</sup> March 1993 in Varanasi. The organization is registered under the Society Registration Act, 21, 1860, Rights of Persons with Disability Act 2016 and National Trust Act, 27(3), 1999. It has been recognized and affiliated to Rehabilitation Council of India under Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India; Indira Gandhi Open University, Delhi; National Institute of Open Schooling, Govt. of India; Department of Women & Child Development, U.P.; Department of Education, U.P.; Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh. The management of the organization is being carried out by the management committee. The organization has been established to fulfill the following objectives:

1. To train Parents / Guardian's of rural areas to take care of their disabled children.
2. To create awareness among general public about causes, nature, prevention and management of disability.
3. To create awareness about early detection and early intervention.
4. To provide education and training to persons with disabilities.
5. To provide suitable vocational training to make them independent for their future.
6. To provide free welfare services to the persons with disabilities through camps.
7. To organize Seminar / Workshop and short-term courses to give special information to untrained teachers, nurses and parents of persons with disabilities.
8. To provide training to the disabled people belonging to poor socio-economic status to bring them into mainstream of the society.
9. To provide free vocational training to all type of persons with disabilities under developmental programmes.
10. To provide free education, training and medical services to the Schedule Castes, Schedule Tribes and poor people for social development.
11. To develop and implement programmes on Pollution control and green revolution.
12. To create awareness and take action against child labour, childhood marriage and immature pregnancy.
13. To work for proper care of pregnant woman and provide family planning services.
14. To provide training for unemployed people to make them self dependent by the support of Khadi & Gramodyog Commission.
15. To develop programme for care and education of children involved in child labour.
16. To collaborate with NGOs, Government and International Organizations to avail drinking water for needy people.
17. To create awareness among people about social services, fraternity and friendship.
18. To provide social and economical support to the people afflicted with different problems.
19. To work for the welfare of Orphan, Poor and Street children.
20. To create awareness about adult's education and include scientific knowledge in it.
21. To establish drug de-addiction centre and work for the rehabilitation of drug addicts.
22. To create awareness against dowry and other social evils through different awareness programmes.

  
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23. To organize technical training programme on agriculture and produce useful materials for the complete development of the rural areas.
24. To create awareness in the rural areas about new technology and new invention in the field of agriculture.
25. To open residential and non-residential school to provide free education for the people of such categories like schedule castes, schedule tribes, other backward classes, minorities and boys and girls belonging to poor socio-economic status.
26. To work for the development of Indian languages, cultural activities, sports activities and other selected programmes.
27. To open Old Age Home and Home for widows.
28. To open counseling centre, technical & non-technical schools and hostels for women on work and run training programme for them.
29. To open Baby Crèche, Balwadi kendra, Aaganwadi kendra, Nonformal centre, Primary education & Care center, Library etc. and run programme related to it.
30. To enhance and publish different types of weekly, quarterly and annual magazines.
31. To work for Family Planning and prevention, irradiation and treatment of diseases such as; AIDS, Leprosy, Malaria, Tuberculosis, Poliomyelitis, Cancer, Cataract and other infectious diseases.
32. To enforce Men/Women for social, economical and political existence.
33. To encourage different types of industry and provide training to unemployed people for their employment.
34. To create awareness about cleanliness of poor villages and clean drinking water etc.
35. To work with the collaboration and direction of National and International organizations such as UNESCO, UNICEF, World Food Organization, World Health Organization, OXFEM, ODA, SIDB, World Literacy Mission, Catholic Relief Services, UNDP, CARE, Rajiv Gandhi Foundation, National Forum for Women, NABARD, Khadi Gramodyog Board, KVIC, Nehru Yuva Kendra, Mahila Kalyan Nigam (NORAD), Nagar Vikas Abhikaran, Rural Development Deptt., Industrial Directorate, Human Resource Development Deptt., Women & Child Development, Council of Science & Technology, CAPART, Hath Karagha Nigam, Micro Industrial Institute, Employment Directorate, Agriculture Department and Panchayati Raj etc.
36. To work for employment of people released from the Jail.
37. To create opportunities of employment and run programme on development of Agriculture and animal husbandry to strengthen the economical status of the villages.
38. To work for development of Khadi, based on Khadi Gramodyog board's pattern, work for industrial development in rural areas (Kutir Udyog) and publish literature for awareness in this field.
39. To include all other activities which encourage and helps to run Khadi Gramodyog Programmes.
40. To make advertisement through different programme to create awareness about Handicraft, Handmade articles, Hathkaragha and Horticulture.
41. To work as a Nodal/Mother Unit, to implement various programmes of Government and Semi Government.
42. To work for the welfare of prostitutes and other socially neglected people and take support from the Government and Non- Government organisations in this regard.
43. To establish degree colleges, universities, oldage homes, hospitals, shelter for poor people and institute for mythological studies.
44. To donate and provide financial support to the organizations working for the upliftment of poor people and social development.



The services at the organization are available for persons with all categories of disabilities, such as intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, autism, multiple disability, visual impairment and speech and hearing problems. The type of services offered are special OPD, Integrated School, Special School, vocational training and hostel care programme for children with disabilities. Special and individualized attention is given for severely disabled to make them self-dependent in their self-care skills. Apart from educational programme they are trained in different prevocational and vocational activities based on their ability and interest. They are trained in various trades such as candle making, envelop making, screen printing, embroidery, greeting cards making etc. These people have been provided early intervention, physiotherapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, behaviour modification, special education, computer training, library services, sports activities, music, PT, yoga, hostel and food facilities as per their needs. The institute also organizes camps at different places to provide free identification, treatment, rehabilitation and counseling services for persons with disabilities and their parents.

#### **SPECIAL OPD SERVICES**

The institute has a Special OPD section to provide assessment, testing, diagnostic, therapeutic and educational services for persons with special needs. In this section, after registration of a person in OPD, he/she has been assessed and intervened in respective departments such as, Clinical Psychology, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Pathology, Audiology, Special Education etc. If the special child is not able to attend day care or hostel care services at the institute, he/she being advised by the expert to contact respective therapist for intervention on consultation basis. This year, there were 153 beneficiaries who received services under Special OPD of the institute during the year 2023-24.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME**

The organization is running a special/integrated school for children with intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, multiple disabilities and autism. Later, the organization has also integrated children with hearing and visual impairment. They are encouraged to recognize their abilities and also provided opportunity to participate in singing, dance, music, play and other cultural activities. Some of them are trained and guided in special skills and vocation that are seen with special interest towards any specific skills. The special school has been recognized by the Education Department of Uttar Pradesh. The total beneficiaries received educational and training services during the year 2023-24 were 149, which include 116 old and 33 new students with special needs. Out of above 05 students have passed out from institution and went for further studies, 66 were promoted to next grade, 07 were dropouts and 71 could not be promoted due to their severe & profound disabilities and other associated problems.

#### **KIDS CARE UNIT**

The organization has started a Kids Care Unit to provide early intervention/stimulation and therapeutic services to developmentally delayed children below the age of 5 years. Services in this unit are provided by a group of professionals which includes a pediatrician, physiotherapist, psychologist, special educators as well as parents of a child with developmental delay. A total of 19 children with developmental delay have been assessed and provided early intervention services during the year 2023-24.

#### **STUDY CENTRE OF NIOS**

Organization has been accredited as a Special Accredited Institute for education of the disadvantages to work as a Study Centre of NIOS for secondary level study in Hindi and English Medium for boys and girls both from the academic session 2009-10. There were 07 students during the year 2009-10, 7 students during the year 2010-11, 6 students during the year 2011-12, and 13 students during the year 2012-13, who appeared and passed the exam. There were 14 students admitted during the year 2013-14 whose examination was held in the month of April 2014. There were 03 admissions in class 10<sup>th</sup> during the year 2017-18 whose examination was conducted by the NIOS. There were 03 admissions in class 10<sup>th</sup> during the year 2018-19 whose examination was conducted by the NIOS. There were 04 admissions during the year 2020-21 in class 10<sup>th</sup> whose examinations were conducted by the NIOS. After 2021-22, the admission of class 9th and 10th



students with special needs have been taken by S. B. Shiksha Niketan Inter College, Karaundi with which we have MOU and classes have been taken by the special teacher of the institute.

#### **COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION PROGRAMME**

The organization provides different types of services under CBR Programme, such as education, training, treatment, rehabilitation, care and habilitation for disabled persons in their own areas. The disabled children and their parents are contacted during home visit programme and treatment and welfare services are provided by the professionals after having their proper assessment. The regular follow-ups were made by the professionals till the year 2005-06 as per given intervals and parents are encouraged to carry-out the targeted work at home. Due to lack of financial assistance the organization could not carryout this essential work further, but it's being managed by the regular trainees of the Institute with the direction of the staffs. The total beneficiaries covered under community-based rehabilitation programme during the year 2023-24 were 283, which includes 211 old and 72 new cases.

#### **FREE ASSESSMENT & DISTRIBUTION CAMPS**

The organization has organized 68 camps for Assessment and distribution of aids & appliances to persons with disabilities in last 24 years. A total of 26,507 persons with various disabilities have been benefited from these camps till date. The organization did not organize any new camps after the academic year 2020-21 but the professionals of the institute has done regular follow up of those who have received aids & appliances during the previous years.

#### **D.ED. SPECIAL EDUCATION (INTELLECTUAL & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY)**

It's a two years (4 semesters) diploma course recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India, under Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, New Delhi. There were 32 students admitted in 21<sup>st</sup> Batch of D.Ed. Spl. Ed. (ID) Course during the year 2022-23. The 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Semester Exams (Practical and Theory) of 20<sup>th</sup> batch students and 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> semester exams of 21<sup>st</sup> batch students were conducted by NBER, RCI from 9<sup>th</sup> September – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023. There are 35 students admitted in 22<sup>nd</sup> Batch of D.Ed. Spl. Ed. (ID) Course during the year 2023-24. The 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Semester Exams (Practical and Theory) of 21<sup>st</sup> batch students and 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> semester exams of 22<sup>nd</sup> batch students will be conducted by NBER, RCI in the month of July 2024.

#### **D.ED. SPECIAL EDUCATION (HI)**

It's a two years (4 semesters) diploma course recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India, under Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, New Delhi. There were 26 students admitted in the 15<sup>th</sup> Batch of D. Ed. Spl. Ed. (HI) course during the year 2022-23. The 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester exams (Practical and Theory) of 15<sup>th</sup> batch and 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> semester exams of 14<sup>th</sup> batch students were conducted by NBER, RCI from 9<sup>th</sup> September – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023. There are 35 students admitted in the 16<sup>th</sup> Batch of D. Ed. Spl. Ed. (HI) course during the year 2023-24. The 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester exams (Practical and Theory) of 16<sup>th</sup> batch and 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> semester exams of 15<sup>th</sup> batch students will be conducted by NBER, RCI in the month of July 2024.

#### **D.ED. SPECIAL EDUCATION (VI)**

It's also a two years (4 semesters) diploma course recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India, under Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, New Delhi. There were 10 students admitted in 5<sup>th</sup> batch of D. Ed. Spl. Ed. (VI) course during the year 2022-23. The 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> semester examination (practical and theory) of 4<sup>th</sup> batch and 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> semester examination (practical and theory) of 5<sup>th</sup> batch were conducted by NBER, RCI from 9<sup>th</sup> September – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023. There are 34 students admitted in 6<sup>th</sup> batch of D. Ed. Spl. Ed. (VI) course during the year 2023-24. The 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> semester examination (practical and theory) of 5<sup>th</sup> batch and 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> semester examination (practical and theory) of 6<sup>th</sup> batch will be conducted by NBER, RCI in the month of July 2024.

  
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## **CONTINUING REHABILITATION EDUCATION (CRE) PROGRAMME**

This year, the organization conducted three Continuing Rehabilitation Education (CRE) programme at the Institute in different areas. The 1<sup>st</sup> CRE programme was conducted on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 on the topic "Swachchhata", the 2<sup>nd</sup> CRE was conducted from 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023 on the topic "Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016" and the 3<sup>rd</sup> CRE was conducted from 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024 on the "National Education Policy 2020" for a period of three days only. The CRE programmes were sanctioned by Rehabilitation Council of India, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, New Delhi. There were 19 participants in 1<sup>st</sup> CRE programme, 24 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> CRE programme and 31 in 3<sup>rd</sup> CRE programme during the academic year 2023-24.

## **PARENTS TRAINING PROGRAMME**

A one-day condensed training of Parents of Persons with Disabilities was conducted by the institute on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023 based on the curriculum and study materials prepared by IGNOU, New Delhi. All the parents were taught about handling and caring of disabled children towards their acceptance and independence in the family and community. They were also sensitized about role of parents towards inclusion of their children at different places. A certificate of participation was distributed to all 98 parents after completion of the training programme. There were good interactions between the parents and the professionals during the training programme.

## **SAMARTH PROJECT**

A hostel-based project for the care, education and rehabilitation of children with cerebral palsy, autism, intellectual disability and multiple disabilities have been organized by the organization. Initially, the organization had received financial assistance from the National Trust and later on it was discontinued. Now, from the year 2015-16 the National Trust has again started providing financial support for running the Samarth Scheme. There were 20 beneficiaries under this scheme during restart of the programme in January 2016. There were 20 beneficiaries under this scheme during the year 2016-17 and same number of beneficiaries during the year 2017-18 and 2018-19. There were 18 beneficiaries during the year 2019-20. These beneficiaries have been given food and stay facilities along with education and rehabilitation services as per guideline of the above scheme. The organization have not received any financial support during the last two years; hence the project has been discontinued from April 2020.

## **CELEBRATION OF WORLD DISABILITY DAY**

This very important day of persons with disabilities was celebrated by organizing a one week programme. Beginning from 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 2023, an awareness rally was organized on the occasion of World Disabled Day in which all the staff, trainees, volunteers and parents actively participated to make it successful. On 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023, drawing competition was organized in which all the children of special school actively participated. On 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023, sports activities were organized in the premises of the institute where all the children with special needs performed different sports activities. An exhibition cum sale of article made by disabled children was organized at Assi Ghat on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023. A workshop on the "Current Scenario of Disability Rehabilitation" was organized on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023 in which all the faculties, school teachers and trainees shared their views. A Cultural Programme of special children & trainees was organized at the institute on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023. At the end of the World Disabled Week programme, it was concluded with certificate distribution to all the participants who actively participated and made it successful.

## **BRANCHES OF ORGANIZATION**

The organization has established its 2 branches in two nearby districts to expand its services towards empowerment of the persons with disabilities. The branches were started in 2001 at Jaunpur as well as Chandauli District. The details of staff and beneficiaries of these branches are as under:

There were 136 beneficiaries at Rachana Vishesh Vidyalaya, Jaunpur branch of IID, Varanasi during the year 2023-24. There are 26 staffs working to provide care, education and rehabilitation services to children with disabilities during the year 2023-24, which includes 19 full time and 7 part time staff. The full-time staff includes 1 Principal, 12 Special teachers, 1 Office Assistant-cum-



Typist, 1 Peon-cum-Ayah, 1 Ayah, 1 Sweeper, 1 Store Keeper, and 1 Chowkidar. Similarly, the part-time staff includes 1 Psychologist, 1 Asstt. Physiotherapist, 1 Junior Speech Therapist, 1 Music Teacher, 1 Physician, 1 Occupational Therapist and 1 Yoga Teacher.

Apart from above, the Rachana Branch is also conducting two Teachers Training Courses (D.Ed. Spl. Ed. IDD and D.Ed. Spl. Ed. HI) recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India, New Delhi. There are 2 Coordinators cum Supervisor, 4 Lecturers in Special Education, 2 Lecturers in Clinical Psychology as Core Faculty, 1 Clerk, 1 Librarian, 1 Peon, 1 Sweeper, 1 Peon cum Sweeper and 12 Guest Faculties to carry out both the training programs. There were 35 students admitted in 15<sup>th</sup> Batch of D.Ed. Spl. Ed. (IDD) Course and 35 students admitted in the 12<sup>th</sup> Batch of D. Ed. Spl. Ed. (HI) course during the year 2023-24.

There were 127 beneficiaries at Samman (Branch of IID, Varanasi), Chandauli during the year 2023-24. There are 23 staffs providing care, education and rehabilitation services to children with special needs. The full-time staff includes 1 Principal, 10 Special Teachers, 1 Office assistant-cum-Typist, 1 Peon-cum Sweeper, 2 Ayah, and 1 Watchman. Similarly, there are 7 part time staffs at Samman, which includes 1 Physician, 1 Physiotherapist, 1 Occupational Therapist, 1 Jr. Speech Therapist, 1 Clinical Psychologist, 1 Yoga/PT Teacher and 1 Music Teacher.

Apart from above, the Samman Branch is also conducting two Courses (D.Ed. Spl. Ed. IDD and D.Ed. Spl. Ed. HI) recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India. There are 2 Coordinators cum Supervisor, 4 Lecturers in Special Education, 2 Lecturers in Clinical Psychology as Core Faculty, 1 Clerk, 1 Librarian, 1 Peon, 1 Sweeper, 1 Peon cum Sweeper and 12 Guest Faculties to carry out both the training programs. All the staff members working at different branches of the organization have adequate training for handling, caring and educating children with disabilities. There were 35 students admitted in 9<sup>th</sup> Batch of D.Ed. Spl. Ed. (IDD) Course and 35 students admitted in the 9<sup>th</sup> Batch of D. Ed. Spl. Ed. (HI) course during the year 2023-24.

#### **WORKING STAFF AT IID**

The organization has two main units "Special School for Children with Special Needs" and "Training Centre for Human Resource Development." There were 149 beneficiaries being served under Special School of IID during the year 2023-24. There are 30 staffs working to provide care, education and rehabilitation services to children with disabilities which includes 23 full-time and 7 part-time staff. The full-time staff includes 1 Principal, 13 Special Teachers, 1 Accountant, 1 Office Assistant-cum-Typist, 1 Warden, 1 Cook, 1 Cook Assistant, 2 Ayah, 1 Peon-cum Sweeper and 1 Watchman. Apart from above there are 7 part-time staff which includes, 1 Physician, 1 Yoga/PT Teacher, 1 Music Teacher, 1 Physiotherapist, 1 Jr. Speech Therapist, Occupational Therapist and 1 Psychologist.

There are three regular teacher training programmes being conducted by the institute under its unit "Institute of Advance Studies & Research in Rehabilitation", which has provided training to 113 trainees during the year 2023-24. The courses include, D.Ed. Spl. Ed. (IDD), D.Ed. Spl. Ed. (HI) and D.Ed. Spl. Ed. (VI). All the programme has been recognized by the RCI, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India. The course-wise working staff at the institute are as mentioned. The working staffs in all three courses includes 3 Coordinators cum Supervisor, 6 Lecturer in Special Education, 3 Lecturer in Clinical Psychology, 1 Librarian, Peon, 1 Clerk and 1 Sweeper. There are 14 part-time staff to carry out these training programs successfully, which includes, 1 Physician, 1 Yoga Teacher, 1 Physiotherapist, 1 Occupational Therapist, 1 Orthopedic Surgeon, 1 Speech Therapist, 1 Audiologist, 1 ENT Specialist, 1 Eye Specialist, 1 Physical Education Teacher, 1 Music Teacher, 1 Lecturer in Social Work, 1 Sign Language Interpreter and 1 Psychiatrist.

#### **FESTIVAL & CULTURAL PROGRAMS**

The organization celebrates various festivals such as, Independence Day, Republic Day, Mahatma Gandhi & Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Birth Day, Ballabhbhai Patel Birth Day, Pt. DDU Birth Day, World Disability Day, World Social Justice Day, International Wheelchair Day, World Autism Awareness Day, International Sign Language Day, World Braille Day, World Cerebral Palsy Day, World White Cane Day, International Yoga Day, IID Foundation Day, etc. The organization also celebrates different types of religious festivals such as, Dipawali,



Dashahara, Holi, Christmas, Id-ul-Fitar, Raksha Bandhan, Saraswati Pooja, Childrens Day, Teachers Day, etc. The sports and cultural activities are also organized for social, physical and intellectual development of children with special needs. Apart from above the children have been taken by staff and volunteers to different places for picnic, sports and educational visits time to time. The parents-teacher meetings being organized thrice in a year, in which parents are provided a progress report of their children along with guidance about how to teach and handle their children at home.

#### **BUILDING OF THE INSTITUTE**

The land and building of the institute is on lease and some of the rooms have been constructed by the institute. Because of the good and humanitarian work carried out by the institute, no any lease rent has to be paid to the owner of the land and building. Apart from Special school and Hostel for children with disabilities, there are separate building for residential facility of teaching staff and hostel to accommodate male and female trainees of different training programmes conducted by the institute.

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE**

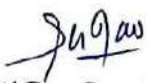
The infrastructure of the institute includes 31 rooms at IID premises for running special school as well as training centre. There are some open spaces for sports and recreational activities of the students. There are 8 toilets and 3 bathrooms for the use of staff and students. All the rooms (office and class rooms) are equipped with required equipments, furniture, almirah, rack, fan and computer, wherever applicable. There are 17 rooms, 4 toilets and 2 bathrooms along with open space for conducting D. Ed. Spl. Ed. (VI) course. There is a separate building for running Samarth Scheme/Hostel which has 5 big rooms, kitchen, toilets, bathrooms and open space. There are separate hostel for male and female trainees which are equipped with required materials. The management committee of the institute has complete responsibility to arrange necessary resources for proper functioning of the institute.

#### **LIBRARY SERVICES**

There is a well-equipped library with necessary books, magazines and Journals which are very useful for the trainees, trainers, teachers and the parents. Most of these books are related to the field of disability rehabilitation and special education. We have a very good library with the books of special education and related subjects for the training centre. The state government has also supplied books to our institute under Pt. Deen Dayal Library Scheme. The management of the institute is still trying to procure more books for the use of teachers and trainees. We also plan to develop a special library for children with disabilities. We have already requested to concern organizations/ departments for the possible supports in this regard. The branches of the organization have separate library in their own premises. There is a separate library and reading room for D.Ed. Spl. Ed. (VI) course as it is situated in another building.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

The education, care, vocational training and other rehabilitation activities of the organization have not only been appreciated by the people of Jaunpur, Chandauli and Varanasi but also the whole Uttar Pradesh and neighboring states. The organization was honored by Pratik Sansthan and All India Journalist Association for its dedicated services in year 2001. In the year 2002 Lion's Club, Gangadhara, Varanasi also awarded the institute with Viklang Sewa Ratna Award. In the year 2003 the organization received a National Award from the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India presented by then President of India Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam on the occasion of World Disabled Day, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2003 and on the same date the State Govt. Uttar Pradesh also honored with state award for its outstanding contribution in the field of disability rehabilitation.

  
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