**NAB Departments Client Service & Women's Empowerment jointly organized a two day "JAGARAN WORKSHOP" for 26 V. I. trainees of the Saibaba Sevadham, Kanhe phata, Lonavala on 1st & 2nd Feb, 2019. This was organized in coordination with RKDC Trust, Mumbai. Objective of this Workshop was to encourage the Visually Challenged persons to take initiative to become self sustainable. Along with both departments' staff, 5 TCTVH trainees from Education Dept. helped for this camp.**

**NAB Department of Education**

**Annual Sports for V. I. Children of Mumbai I. E. Programme**

The annual Sports for V. I. children in Mumbai I. E. Programme was held at Adarsh Nagar, Worli ground on December 8, 2018. 138 children under the Mumbai I. E. Programme participated in the Sports. Competitions were held separately for low vision and totally blind children. The competitions were in track and field events like running, book balancing, throw ball, shot put, etc. The Sports were conducted by itinerant teachers. Prizes and trophies were given away through the hands of Chief Guest, Mr. Karan Naik, Mrs. Vidya Naik and Miss Veena Naik and Mrs. & Mr. A.S. Athalekar, our Honorary Secretary. Like every activity the sports were sponsored by Veena Estate Consultants and Mr. Veeral Mehta.

**Five Day RCI-CRE Training Programme on "Advance Level Training in Orientation & Mobility Skills"**

1. Department conducted a non-funded 5 day CRE programme approved by RCI at NAB HO. from December 10 - 14, 2018 on "Advance Level Training in Orientation & Mobility Skills". 30 teachers from 17 institutions participated in this course. The group included 13 visually impaired participants. The course content was like O & M with Low Vision, Preparation of Tactile and Audio Maps, Making low cost assistive devices for mobility, O & M for multiple disability, etc.

**Educational-cum-Recreational Tour to Madhya Pradesh**

The Department organized an educational-cum-recreational tour to Madhya Pradesh covering places like Kanha Tiger Reserve, Bhopal, Jabalpur and Pachmarhi during December 25, 2018 to January 1, 2019 for visually impaired (V.I.) students studying under Mumbai I. E. programme. Altogether 53 persons comprising 40 V. I. children and 13 escorts including 3 V. I. teachers participated in the tour. Places covered in the tour were like Kanha Tiger Reserve, Khatai Gate, Bhedaghat Marble Rocks, Dhuwandhar Fall, Tribal Life Gallery, Sanchi Stupa, Bee Fall, etc.

**Annual Sports for MDVI Children of Mumbai**

The annual sports for MDVI children from Mumbai Programme were held during January 7, 9, 11, 16, 22 & 24, 2019 at 4 locations like every year. Altogether 62 children participated in the sports. The events were planned according to the children's handicapping conditions and functional abilities. The events were like,

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**NAB Braille Press**

The work executed by the Braille Press during the reporting period can be summarized as under:

1. Pages Scanned & edited: 4523
2. Pages Entered (Data Entry): 2438
3. Braille Volumes Printed: 46181
4. Braille Pages Printed: 25, 28,936
5. Braille Volumes Dispatched: 2040
6. Clients attended in person: 336

New Braille Productions : 39

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Some of the general books produced during this period are:

Bharatiya Virangana(Marathi), Dristhitheen Bacho Ke Liye Adhyao-Adhyayapan, Samgrhi Ka Nrman(Hindi), Ekikrut Shiksha Aur Samudyayik Sahabag(Hindi), Akhil Bharatiya Bodhmala - 8(Hindi), Amrutbndu Vol.1&2(Hindi), Bhaskar Rajasthan Samanya Dyan(Hindi) etc.

The NAB Braille Press organized a function on January 4, 2019 at Worli Seaface Complex, to commemorate Louis Braille’s 210th Birth Anniversary. Staff, visually impaired trainees/persons, Mr. Hasmukh Shah, well wisher and life member of NAB, India were present on the occasion and gave their tributes to Louis Braille. Poems on Louis Braille were recited by the trainees. Two Braille books “Braille Teaching Course - Book 1” in English and “Sulabh Abacus” in Hindi were officially released on this occasion.

**NAB Client Service Department**

We had organized an Orientation & Mobility Training Camp for 12 trainees for two days i.e. on 31st December, 2018 & 1st January; 2019 for newly identified visually challenged persons. In this camp we gave them basic O & M training.
throw ball, pick up the brick, watering the plants, matching the objects, search and identify the two different shape of balls, etc.

Annual Get-together of V. I. Children in Mumbai I. E. Programme

Department organized the annual get-together for visually impaired children studying under Mumbai I. E. Programme along with their parents on February 9, 2019. 89 visually impaired children along with their parents were present. A variety of cultural activities were held such as singing, dance, drama, recitation of jokes, mono act, a fancy dress, etc. in which the children participated very enthusiastically.

Visit to the exhibition on Brain by Nehru Science Centre

Nehru Science Centre had organized an exhibition on Brain for visually impaired children of Mumbai I. E. Programme and trainees of NAB TCTVH during February 15 & 16, 2019. 13 children of I.E. Programme and trainees of NAB TCTVH attended this exhibition. They had displayed the brain 3D model, natural brain, Neuron and Proton practical’s, etc. The children observed brain by touch. They had also showed dead nerves and living nerves by microscope with description. They had also given description on mental illness with real success stories, how brain works, how we think, how we execute, etc.

Visit to Adlabs Imagica, Khopoli by V. I. Children

Department organized a one day outing for children of Mumbai I. E. Programme, who were not included in M.P. Tour to Adlabs Imagica at Khopoli, Dist. Raigad on Thursday, February 21, 2019. 75 V. I. Children, 29 parents and 16 teachers participated in the picnic. The group enjoyed the ride of Water Park and Snow Park. The Imagica staff was most positive and cooperative and allowed the blind children to touch and feel several exhibits for better understanding in Snow Park, such as Igloo, Reindeer Car, Ice Rides, Snow Dance, etc. In the water park children enjoyed the different water games on the slide, rain dance, etc

Annual Get-together of MDVI children

The annual get-together for MDVI children from Mumbai MHB programme, was organized on February 23, 2019. 56 MDVI children were present at the get-together. The children presented a variety of programmes like, fancy dress competition, a dance, songs, drama, etc. Parents of MDVI Children also performed dance. The first time fathers of the MDVI children participated in the dance. Mr. Mohan Jadhav had sponsored gifts for children.

Annual Sports for MDVI children Annual Get-together for MDVI children Exhibition on Brain by Nehru Science Centre

NAB Department of Employment

During December 2018 to February 2019, 25 Visually Challenged Candidates registered with the department and 13 have been placed in Open Employment Sector.

Deloitte Impact Day - One day Workshop on ‘Interview Techniques and Ethics’ was held on December 15, 2018 by Deloitte. 32 Candidates attended the Workshop.

Work Centre - During the period under consideration, we had supplied Paper Bags/Gel Candles/Diyas/Fancy Paper Bags, Fancy Envelopes, etc. to different parties worth Rs. 11,155/-. The department also participated in various Exhibitions, for awareness and sale.

NAB Department of Rehabilitation

Short term course on All Round Development of Visually Challenged Ladies:

The Ladies Special batch commenced on 12th November, 2018, with 18 female beneficiaries from Varanasi, Nashik, Goa, Bhandara, Nanded, Thane, Mumbai, etc. Topics like O & M, Communication Skills, Motivation, Cancer Prevention, Sex Education & Family Management, Interview Skills, etc. were organized. The valedictory function of the batch was held on 29th Dec 2018. Lion Riddhish Shah, Lions Club of Juhu alongwith Lion. Kaushik Shah was present on the occasion and presented Rs.1000/- each to the lady participants of the Fashion Show event.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Department organized different activities for the trainees in collaboration with different donors and social activists. To name few, with Accenture we had entertainment program, Fashion show was organized with Lions Club of Juhu at Hyatt Regency, Andheri, Art of living group organized yoga session & Doctors of Saifee Hospital conducted CPR (Compression only Life Support) training session.

RUDMI AWARD

Two visually challenged persons - Mr. Madan Mangesh from Paighar district and Mr. Pawar Sarvesh from Ratnagiri (both recommended by NAB-DOR) received the “Smt. Nandini P Divatia Rural Rehabilitation Award for Disabled for the Year 2018” on Dec. 2nd, 2018 at Ahmedabad at a special ceremony organized by the Rural Development And Management Institute (RUDMI), Ahmedabad.

124TH BATCH OF BASIC REHABILITATION COURSE. (3RD JAN TO 11TH APRIL, 2019)

26 trainees from different parts of India were admitted for 124th batch of Basic Rehabilitation course which commenced on 3rd January, 2019. Regular lectures like stress management, concessions, motivation, preparation of Competitive Exams, information about Epilepsy & preventive measures, Cancer, CPAA etc. was organized.

Note Identification at IIT, Powai

A survey on Identification of Currency by the visually challenged was conducted with the basic Rehab trainees by staff of IIT Powai on 21st Feb, 2019.

Physiotherapy, Acupuncture and Massage classes and practical sessions were in progress. Final theory and practical examination were conducted on 22nd to 25th January, 2019. The next Batch commenced on 28th January, 2019 with 10 students.

NAB M. P. Shah All India Talking Book Centre

The Talking Book Studio recorded 79 new titles (English - 11, Hindi - 20 and Marathi - 48). Amongst these were some popular general interest book titles like: “Teil Tale” by Jeffrey Archer, Bhisham Sahni’s book “Tamas” (translated by Daisy Rockwell) and “Origin” by Dan Brown in English; “Raavi Paar” by Gulzar, “1084 Ven Ki Maa” by Mahashweta Devi etc. Other recordings comprised academic books viz. English Medium Navneet Digests for Grade X and a textbook for D.Ed; Hindi Medium Textbooks for Grade XII of U. P. Board; Marathi Medium Textbooks for FYBA, SYBA, TYBA and D.Ed. Besides these, 9 issues of the Marathi Magazine - ‘Bolke Pakshik’ were also recorded by the Centre.

The Talking Book Library dispatched 2,001 CDs by post and dealt with 504 members, who visited in person to exchange CDs or get audio books loaded on their mobile phones, MP3 players, i-pods and pen drives. The Library currently has on its shelves 5,480 titles (2,952 - Marathi, 692 - Hindi, 977 - English, 531 - Gujarati and 128 in other languages), which are available for circulation in digital format. The Library membership stood at 2,722 (2,562 individuals and 160 institutions). During this period 56 Members availed the online facility and 227 titles were sent online.

NAB Department of Women’s Empowerment

Department organized the following programme and functions during the period under report:

- Gathering at Mahalaxmi - Organized by Accenture
- 60 Visually Challenged trainees from DOR, DWE & Employment and 30 volunteers from Accenture.
- One day Outing program at Shahad - Organised by the Department
Training centre trainees, Home workers & Kaka Patil residential girls

- Haldi Kumkum Program
  40 Visually Challenged female
- Fashion show at Hayat Regency, Andheri - Organised by Lions Club of Juhu DWE & DOR's female trainees
- Picnic at Great Escape - Organised by Sevak trust Malad Trainees from DWE, Kaka Patil, TCTVH & Employment Dept.
- Women's Day celebration - Session of Beauty Tips & Hair Style
  35 Visually Challenged female

- DWE-Training Center put up stalls at different locations like Prabodhankar Thakaray Natyagriha, Borivali (West), Indian Oil's Exhibition at BKC Bhakti Park at Wadala, at Accenture at Airoli and Institute of Hotel Management, Dadar.
- DWE-Kaka Patil hostel has set up new Sanitary pad Vending Machine on 26th Feb, 2019 for the residents of hostel. It is donated by ONGC Mahila Group to our Kaka Patil center.

Beyond Mumbai

NAB Lions Home for the Aging Blind, Khandala

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Volunteers from different organizations like IIT, LSR College, IHE, Gargi College, Ambedkar University, St. Paul's school, modern School etc. visited the centre on various occasions.

1. Placements and different trainings:
- machines and packaging - Spark Minda Greater NOIDA - 5 placed and continue
- handicraft training - PEEMPRO Export house Faridabad - 2 placed as Interns
- Detergent Making - Mirzapur, Uttar Pradesh - 5 are self employed

2. Training for Medical Tactile Examiner (MTE) for 'Breast Cancer Detection under Discovering Hands Project:
The training of the second batch has entered into the tenth month. The theory classes have started in full swing. Practical classes too are going on as usual. Leukosilk pasting, Waltz movement, Patient History, and cervical and clavicle lymph nodes are being practiced by the students at present. They have also started going to Medanta for real work experience since one month. Out of 7 trained and certified MTEs under Discovering Hands Project 6 have been placed with Fortis & C K Birla

3. Sensitization & Awareness Building Activities:

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By Call Centre Executive training - Training for working on computer with speech software, call centre specific communication skills. - 10 trainees. Tie ups are in place for the absorption in call centres like Sarathee

- Handicrafts & Packaging Training: - PEE MPRO Export house, Faridabad - 2 already placed and 4 have started contributing towards orders and earning stipends.
- Café Management Training - Training in providing hygienic food, on time delivery of orders, food presentation, book keeping, inventory and accounts handling, sale and promotion etc. - 4 girls have been upgraded with the advanced training in Café Management skills like café in-charge, the chef, café assistants and cleaners.
- Spa & Massage Training - work in corporate as masseurs independently - 3 trainees
- Basic Computer Training - Studying in different colleges - 2 trainees
- Orientation & Mobility Training - enhance the independence for mobility - 1 trainee
- Life Skills & Personality Development Trainings - Skills like O & M, Braille literacy, cooking and housekeeping, yoga etc. - All the trainees in the centre
- Talking Hand Project - Japanese Medical Manual Therapy (JMMT) - Two were placed at ITC Grand Bharat-Gurugram and ITC Maurya, Delhi and through 16 therapist reached to 98 people

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At factory

Self Employment Project

Medical Tactile Examiner under Discovering Hands Project

16 Dec & 20 Dec
14 Nov, 18 Dec & 19 Feb
24 Feb
18 Feb
26 Feb

St. Anthony School and At Pay You
Rotactors from USA around 277 students and 22 teachers from Shri Ram School, Gurugram
Shiv Nadar School, Gurugram
LSR College
Lecture Hall, IIT-Delhi
Chandigarh State Branch

1. Prerna, a 11 yr old student of NAB Chandigarh IEDC program was awarded the National Award for the Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, 2018 under the category-Outstanding Creative Child with Disabilities by Honorable Vice President of India Shri. Venkaiah Naidu in Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on 3rd December, 2018.

2. Six months computer training program of NAB consisting of 17 visually challenged under Govt. Polytechnic for Women was completed on 14th December, 2018 and their exam was taken on 19th December, 2018. Certificates will be distributed to them shortly.

3. All other programs like Multi disability program, Inclusive Education, Library services and recorded books are functioning like the last year.

Goa State Branch

Fashion show on 5th December 2018

Bottle Bay organised their third edition of fashion show ‘Raising Light’s on 5th December, with 100% proceeds from the sale of tickets donated to the National Association for the Blind. During the event students from National Association for the Blind gave splendid performance ‘Tare Zamin Par.’

NAB expressed their gratitude to the donors for supporting the cause.

Santa’s Day Programme at Shiksha Niketan

On 17th December 2018, the students of NAB, along with the staff, teachers visited Shiksha Niketan, Porvorim, to take part in Santa’s Day Programme. 3 students shared their experiences about their visual conditions and challenges they faced. Blind students gave dance performance and showed their abilities in art and craft, they played word building game also with their sighted counter parts.

Serenity Arts Festival 2018

On 18th December 2018, the NAB students along with the teachers attended the Serenity Art Festival at Old GIM, Ribandar. Mr. Siddhant Shah, a heritage consultant had made the festival accessible to the visually impaired through tactile maps, braille magazines and giving information about each art form in braille, thereby making most of the rooms disabled friendly. The children were walked through few rooms and took experience of different Arts. They prepared objects by using different moulds. It was a fun full day for them.

Christmas Celebration at NAB

On 20th Dec, 2018, NAB celebrated Christmas outside the premises. The premises were well- decorated with stars, lanterns, tinsel, mistletoes etc. A crib was prepared by the students. A skit ‘Darkness to light’ was enacted by students giving the audience an insight into the world of Blind. Two students, sang the carol, they made the evening joyful with their carols. The evening was memorable for everyone who attended the function.

Kerala State Branch

Observance of the World Braille Day 2019

World Braille Day 2019 was observed jointly by NAB Kerala and Amway India Enterprises Pvt. Ltd. in the function held on 19th January 2019 in the Louis Braille Hall in NAB Kerala Head Office campus at Thiruvananthapuram.

Around 250 persons including Trainees of NAB Kerala and their relatives attended the function. Mr. Hariharan, Former Governor of Y’s Men International clubs was the Chief Guest. Mr. Sunil Bhaskar, Director, Foundation for Tourists’ Rights Protection, Kerala and Mr. Silas N Joroge, Former Governor of Y’s Men International Kenya, Africa were the Guests of Honor.

In his speech, chairman Prof. John Kurian highlighted the need and importance of helping the Visually Challenged persons and also delivered New Year message to the audience.

The participants of the function were entertained by a cultural program performed by the trainees of NAB Kerala and the NAB Kerala Voice Music troop.

Telangana State Branch

The National Association for the Blind, Telangana State regularly conducts the Eye Screening Camps in the state of Telangana.

In order to work on our Mission “Prevention of preventable and cure of curable visual impairment”- we have requested to the State Government to organise Eye Screening for all the citizens of the State. The State Government has agreed upon and strengthening NAB Mission. It has issued a GR to implement it in most effective manner, in order to prevent the preventable eye problems of the population.

A big victory of the NAB

Avoidable Blindness Free Telangana, the Government has decided to take up universal eye screening by covering the entire population of the state under the name “Kanti Velugu”. The objectives of “Kanti Velugu” are (i) to conduct eye screening & vision test for all citizens of the state (ii) provide spectacles free of cost (iii) arrange for surgeries and other treatments free of cost (iv)provide medicines for common eye ailments (v) educate people on prevention of serious disabling eye diseases.