

Humanity Welfare Organization Helpline NGO, Bijbehara

Working for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Kashmir Details of Work – done by the Institution including places and the number of disabled persons covered by the institution.(Humanity Welfare Organization HELPLine NGO – J&K) 1. The organization has conducted 200 advocacy meetings for the Rights of persons with disabilities in J&K since 2000. 2. The organization has successfully conducted 150 community meetings on early detection and prevention of disability with ICDS workers, ASHA workers, ANM s and pregnant women in district Anantnag Kashmir.

3. The organization has conducted 75 mass awareness programmes in district Anantnag Kashmir regarding disability Rights and welfare schemes pertaining to the persons with disabilities.

4. In addition the organization has the credit of conducting 24 volunteer group meetings for creating awareness regarding disability Rights and welfare schemes in district Anantnag.

5. In Anantnag district of J&K 42 health check – up camps were organized for the children with disabilities in various hospitals and clinics. The medical check – ups included ophthalmic check – ups, orthopaedic check – ups and dental check –ups. In addition I.Q testing of various intellectually challenged children was done.

6. 46 capacity building workshops for sensitizing teachers and B.Ed students (expected future teachers) regarding how to deal with children with disabilities in schools and implementation of inclusive education programme.

7. Our special educators and differently able children participated in 28 training programmes organized by Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Department of Education in Districts of Anantnag and Kulgam to sensitize teachers regarding inclusive education through Braille and Sign Language medium. Differently able children our institution demonstrated Braille and sign language in practical.

8. In order to prove the differently abled children worth in the field of Sports our organization organized 15 big events of sports in the state of J&K in collaboration with Special Olympics Bharat India with sponsorship from ministry of Youth Affairs and sports , GOI. Hundreds of special athletes participated in various events. In addition friendly cricket matches were organized by the organization among blind and deaf sports persons giving them a platform to prove their worth.

9. Every year an ability Show is organized in Raj Bawan Srinager in presence of His Excellency the Governor of J&K, mostly on eve of Helen Keller Birth day, since 2009.

10. Since 2005 our organization World Disability week celebrations from December 1st to 7th every year at state level and prominent role models in disability sector are

awarded. Various programmes, debates, rallies and seminars are also conducted throughout the state in collaboration with various government departments.

11. The organization has effectively conducted 10 rallies in all 10 districts of Kashmir province in collaboration with the department of Census for sensitizing the census enumerators regarding inclusion person with disabilities and counting them under column 9 of the census enumeration form.

12. Our organization deputed its members to for the training programmes conducted by the census department for enumerators of census, to educate them regarding counting of disable people in census questionnaire.

13. The organization has been able to cover 227 children with disabilities under home based learning cum rehabilitation programme since 2000. The physiotherapists have trained their parents of persons with disabilities to assist their disable children in seeking educational, social and economic rehabilitation programme.

14. The organization has successfully linked 1206 children with disabilities to different government schemes like Integrated Social Security Scheme, Merit cum means, scholarship scheme, Maulana Azad foundation Scholarship programme and National Handicapped finance development corporation scheme.

15. The organization has done identification and assessment of 3500 children with disabilities in district Anantnag since 2000.

16. Our organization has organized 2 mega camp in District Kulgam and anantnag for issuance of Disability certificates among the persons with disabilities belonging to far flung areas. Transportation was arranged for the totally crippled disable people and children with disabilities. 89 disability certificates were issued on spot to the deserving disable people.

17. The organization has trained 145 persons with disabilities in the field of computer education.

18. The organization has organized 15 blood donation camps at various colleges and educational institutions.

19. The organization is running under its agies an inclusive school in which 80 students with different disabilities like visual impairment, hearing impairment, orthopaedic impairment and mental retardations are being availing the benefits of Braille, Sign languages, behavioural modification trainings, speech therapy and physiotherapy. Maximum dropped out disable children from government schools have been included in the school.

20. 18 students after some interventions 1-3 years have been admitted to the government schools.

21. Since 1995 when government of India launched pulse polio Immunization programme for the eradication of polio. In Health zone of Bijbehara Anantnag, with Sub District Hospital Bijbehara, immunization unit our organizational volunteers administer polio drops to be part of National programme for eradication of polio mylitis. Around 70,000 children were covered in the age group of 0-5 years. Call: 9469064964

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