ACTIVITIES IN NORTH EASTERN REGION DURING 2022-23

During the year 2022-23 following activities were undertaken for the empowerment of persons with disabilities in the North Eastern Region of the country. Mr. Navnath Jagdale, Vocational Instructor, Socio Economic Rehabilitation Dept., Mumbai is Nodal Officer and Mr. Anupam Das, Vocational Instructor and Mr. Prosenjit Mujumdar, Social Welfare Officer, Regional Centre, Kolkata are Joint Nodal officers of the North Eastern Programme.

1. Short Term Training Programmes

1.1. State Level Workshop for Cochlear Implantees



State level workshop for cochlear implantees was organsed at JNIMS, Manipur on 23rd and 24th March, 2023. 80 participants including cochlear implantees and their parents attended the programme.

Under CI-ADIP scheme, devices implanted were Digisonic (20 children), Cochlear (29 children) & Med-el (03 children). Med-el Implantees are functioning well. Cochlear children

had few minor issues with the cable & processors. Digisonic had major number of problem requiring repair/ replace of processor, cable, magnets etc. All such issues were discussed and parents were orientated on care, maintenance and trouble shooting.

1.2. State Level Workshop on Cochlear Implants



State level workshop was organized on cochlear implants under ADIP scheme for empanelment of hospitals, rehabilitation professionals at Zoram Medical College, Mizoram on 27th and 28th March, 2023.

About 120 participants including ENT, Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists, Audiometric Technicians, Special Educators, etc. attended the workshop.

1.3. Orientation cum Training Programme on Community Radio Broadcast



On November 3, 2022, a dynamic and informative Orientation cum Training program on "Community Radio Broadcast & Disability-Related Information" was successfully conducted. This collaborative initiative brought together Community Radio Association of India and the

Department of Mass Communication at Rajiv Gandhi Central University, located in the scenic region of Rono Hills, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh. A diverse and engaged group of 50 participants, including Community Radio Professionals, Mass Communication Professionals, and students from the vibrant northeastern region, actively participated in this program. This event served as a valuable platform for sharing knowledge and fostering a deeper understanding of the crucial intersection between community radio and disability-related information.

1.4. Orientation cum Awareness Programme on Disabilities

Orientation cum Awareness Programmes were conducted at Mon, Nagaland on 25.06.2022, Imphal on 24.08.2022 to 25.08.2022 & Tengnoupal in Manipur on 14.01.2023. Total 211 persons benefited from these programmes comprising of Anganwadi Workers, ASHA Workers, SHG Leaders, Health Workers and Representatives of GOs and NGOs.

2. Diagnostic and Fitment Camps



AYJNISHD (D) organized four diagnostic and fitment camps at Kamrup, Assam state, Mon, Nagaland state and Tengnoupal, Manipur state benefiting 534 persons out of which 95 persons were fitted with 159 hearing aids under the ADIP Scheme.