

JAN SEVA-A unit of Society for Indian children's welfare

A unit of SICW, Jan Seva (Service to the Community) is a non-profit organization. Services include an Early Childhood Care and Education Programme for underprivileged children between 2-6 years that provides free education, nutrition and health checkups. The 'Udaan' (Soaring High) Project offers similar services for children with disabilities and their families. Jan Seva also runs programmes like Computer Literacy and Vocational Training for the mothers and students who have dropped out of school. The aim is to empower young women and girls through self-employment. A **Community Health Programme (CHP)** is offered, the main aim of which is to protect and improve the health of the families in the community.



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"Small Acts of kindness when multiplied by millions of people can transform the world."

JAN SEVA NEWS



158th birth anniversary of the Noble Laureate Rabindranath Tagore was celebrated on 9th May 2019. The children of Jan Seva recited his poems, sang and danced to his songs. Children made a beautiful presentation which was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.

COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAMME (CHP)

FOLLOW UP: The CHP team in 2018 conducted their outreach programme with 18 participants on Breast Feeding and Pre natal and Post natal care in Ward No.107, Kolkata. In April 2019, the team had their follow up session on the same wherein 69% participants attended the previous programme and 31% were new. The follow up on the awareness programme showed positive results.



SUCCESS STORY: Karuna Halder, 35 year old mother of two daughters (age 7 years and 2 months) had received information and knowledge related to nutrition for Pregnant and Lactating Women from programmes conducted by CHP team in the community. She felt more confident after attending the sessions and learned about different topics which she was not aware of before. Presently she is happy and both she and her children are healthy.

SELF DEFENCE: CHP Team organised a workshop on "Self Defense Mechanism" collaborating with SWA-SHAKTI on April, 2019 at JanSeva. Sumita Majumdar and Sutapa Patra, trainers of WENLIDO (women's path of strength) helped the participants to connect with their inner strength and be bold enough to raise their voices and stand up for their rights. They taught the group various practical methods of self defence through interactive sessions.



WORM INFESTATION: The parents of the Early Childhood Care and Education centre (ECCE) were asked to attend the in house programme regarding worm infestation. Total 134 parents attended the session. After the discussion, the Team distributed leaflets to the parents for their awareness and queries. It was found that 93% of people became more aware and knowledgeable regarding worm infestation.

ASTHMA AND DUST ALLERGY: In 2017-18, more than 352 ECCE children suffered from respiratory problem; therefore the CHP team organized an in house programme on Asthma and Dust allergy with 107 ECCE parents. At the end of the session it was found that 101 participants were able to answer correctly.



Some glimpses of CHP



Udaan(SOARING HIGH)- A COMMUNITY PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS



Parent -Teacher Meeting (PTM) on 14th June, 2019

12 parents attended this meeting. They were advised to process their 'Below poverty level cards'(BPL), by which they would enjoy many facilities and benefits. 'AM's mother spoke about the improvement and development of her child after his admission to 'Udaan' and she was very grateful.

'Udaan' Achiever: 'DR' is 7 ½ years of age with Cerebral Palsy and was admitted to 'Udaan' in June, 2015. With the help of 'Pathways to Children', he received a number of prosthetics from SICW, for which he is very grateful. DR has an indomitable strength of mind and interest to participate in class activities and has progressed in fields like physiotherapy, academics, communication and cognition. He has got admission into IICP School which will commence from July, 2019.



Physiotherapy: This photo is of 'MM', who regularly attends the physiotherapy sessions in 'Jan Seva' as an outdoor patient. She has received her leg gaiters from SICW and can now stand with support. Her receptive and expressive abilities have improved. She always responds with a sweet smile.

Speech Therapy: After regular 6 months of Speech and Language Therapeutic sessions, 'E' now makes an attempt to utter new words and performs routine activities with verbal request and visual cues. He can approximately use 60 words. 'E' can say the names of some fruits, vegetables, animals and birds. He enjoys his speech therapy sessions very much.



Twice a week Community 'Mother and Child' Clinics

278 patients were treated in the 'Mother and Child Clinic' between April and June 2019 with medicines and medical consultations. This has been a major support for the marginalized section of our community and has become very popular.

SOME GLIMPSES OF UDAAN



ECCE (EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION)

The children of ECCE came back happily to join the classes after the short summer vacation of 15 days. With a smile on their faces children entered Jan Seva and settled down for the sessions.



ECCE children appeared for their first Assessment in April 2019 for the Academic year Jan- Dec 2019.

ADULT LITERACY, COMPUTER LITERACY AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM

Certificates and mementos were distributed to the students of the Computer Literacy Program and Adult Literacy Program in April 2019, on the birthday of Rabindranath Tagore. Batch 15 of the Computer Literacy Program and Batch 9-10 of the Adult Literacy Program were awarded their certificates from our Vice Chairperson Mrs. Shirin Dastur and the Board Members Mrs. Sarita Dhir and Dr. Janak Hartnett.



SUCCESS STORY: Nisha Sahoo, student of our Vocational Training unit, residing in Bosepukur along with her parents, 4 sisters and 2 elder brothers. Father is a street food vendor and mother is a homemaker. Nisha has studied till Class VI but she is an expert in stitching and knitting. She has been with us for three years and learnt all sorts of techniques. She has made ECCEC uniforms and other Indian Dresses. She works from home as she has received a sewing machine from us to start her small scale work from home. She is hard working and punctual as she understands the deadline for the work she has to complete.



Computer Literacy classes resumed from May 2019 in Jan Seva. The courses being done here are:
i) Basic Course of NIIT Foundation
ii) Advance Course of NIIT Foundation

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