



DELHI FOUNDATION OF DEAF WOMEN

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ANNUAL REPORT 2011-2012

Hearing Impairment is a hidden disability, which cannot be observed unless one tries to communicate with the hearing impaired person, because of this, many time this problem is just overlooked or ignored in initially years of its onset. Due to **lack of awareness** about hearing impairment, its causes, its prevention & intervention this problem becomes a **DISABILITY**. If Hearing Impairment is diagnosed at the earliest it can be prevented to make a person handicap.

This ignorance among the people make it difficult to understand the needs of a hearing impaired person because of which the person gets deprived of proper Education, Information and Training.

Delhi Foundation of Deaf Women (Estb. in 1973) works to, **REHABILITATE, EDUCATE, VOCATIONNALLY TRAIN DEAF** & also to create **AWARENESS** about Hearing Impairment. We help them to grow: **Emotionally, Spiritually, Personally and educationally** also.

Delhi Foundation of Deaf Women initially started as a club but gradually it converted in to an organization cum institute to train deaf women. The concept behind starting the projects and courses was to help deaf women to become Self- Dependent and Confident. **Delhi Foundation of Deaf Women is the FIRST ORGANISATION IN DELHI** to establish these types of courses for deaf.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

1. To rehabilitate hearing impaired women and girls.
2. To provide technical training to improve their credential.
3. To give them an opportunity to prove themselves through our rehabilitative activities and talent competitions.
4. To provide a platform to ambitious deaf girls through beauty pageant.
5. To find the hidden talent in young deaf children.
6. To create awareness among common people.
7. To uplift the moral & sporting spirit among deaf and to encourage them to take part in State, National and International Level Sports Competitions.
8. To improve their knowledge about various health issues like AIDS
9. To provide them independent life by providing job opportunity.
10. To encourage & develop culture & dramatics.
11. To Provide Matrimonial Assistance to Deaf.
12. To develop vocational skills.
13. Counseling & Guidance

AREA OF OPERATION

The society has been involved in providing Non-Formal education to deaf since last 38 years in Slum & JJ Cluster Colony of Paharganj, New Delhi and we also conduct talent competitions and Matrimonial Assistance to Deaf.

OUR MAJOR REHABILITATION PROJECTS & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

Computer Course (Information Technology & Computer Center for the Deaf :	Beauty Course
<ol style="list-style-type: none">Diploma in Computing- : Basics, MS-Office (Word,Excel, Power Point) DTP 2) (Photoshop, Page Maker, Flash, Corel Draw) Internet etc.Certificate in Computing: Basics, MS Office (World, Excel, Power Point) Internet)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Diploma In Beauty CultureCertificate in GroomingSelf GroomingHair StylingSPA
Vocational Courses	Special Services
<ol style="list-style-type: none">Tailoring & CuttingBatik CraftsLeather CraftHandicraft Making – File Folders, Toy Making, Wall Hanging, Gift Pouches, Cloth made mobile coversBook-Binding : Hard Binding, Spiral Binding etc.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">English Languages ClassesWorkshops & Awareness ProgramsPranay Milan Sammelan (Matrimonial Assistance for the Deaf)Sports and Cultural FestivalBeauty Pageant and Talent CompetitionsEducational TripsGuidance & Career Counseling

OUR REGISTRATION STATUS

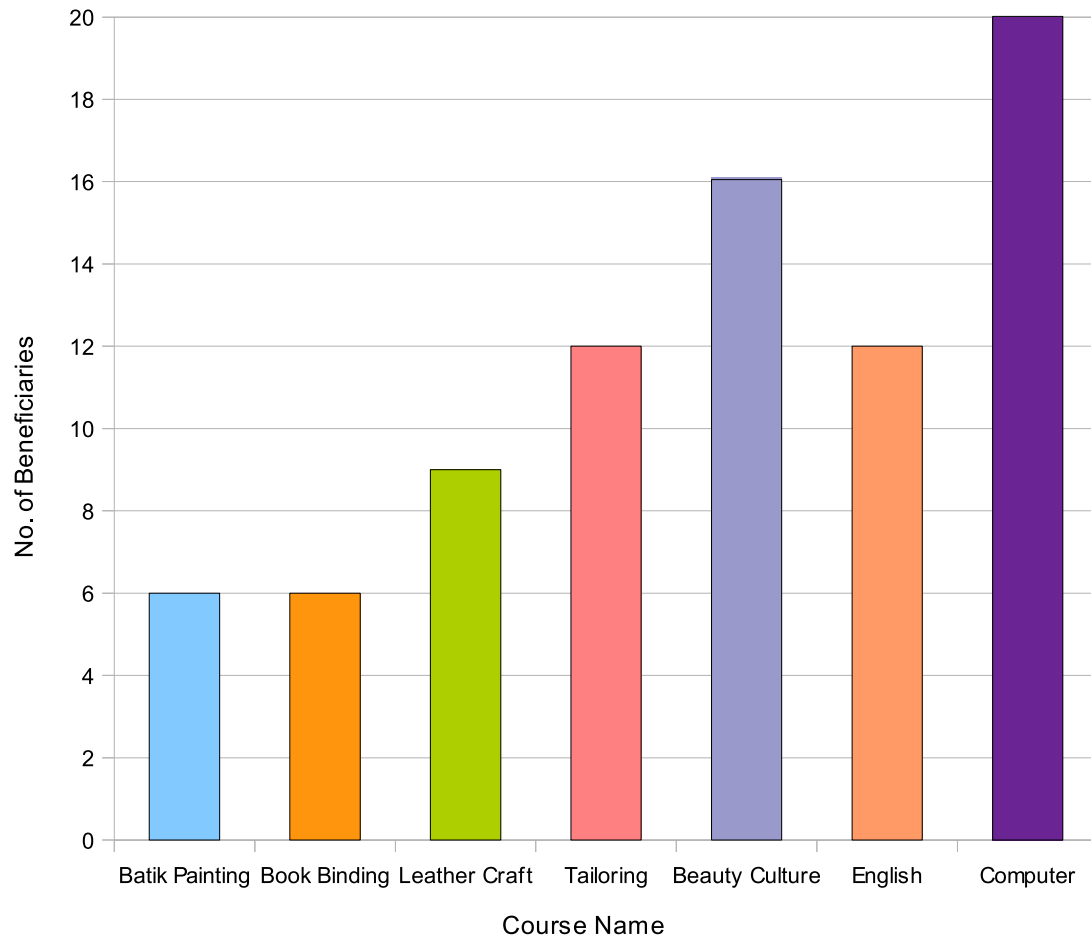
- We are registered under the societies Act of 1961, No 9222 of *April 14, 1978*.
- PWD Act- Registration No.60 dated: 30 March 2009*
- Income tax Act 1961 under section 80 G (5) (vi)
vide its No. DIT (E) 2010--2011/D- 233/1443 dated 20/9/2010
- Returns of Income 261-D
- FCRA Regn. No. 231650525.
- 35 AC*

STAFF STRUCTURE:: 2010 – 2011

S.No.	Vocational Courses	Designation	Total Number of Staff
1	Book Binding	Instructress	1
2	Batik Section	Instructress Asst. Instr.	2
3	Leather Craft	Instructress Asst. Instr.	2
4	Tailoring	Instructress Asst. Instr.	2
5	Handicraft Making	Instructress Asst. Instr.	2
6	Computer & English	Instructress Asst. Instr.	2
7	Beauty Culture	Instructress Asst. Instr.	2
8	Stock Manager	-----	1
9	Peon	-----	2
General Administration			
10	Chief Executive		1
11	Account Officer		1
12	Assistant		1
13	Web- Designer		1
14	Social Worker		1
15	Coaches for Chess, Carom		2
16	Sweeper		1
TOTAL STAFF			23

REGULAR COURSES

BENEFICIARIES DETAIL



OTHER REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

1	Our Members	300
2.	Other Beneficiaries for Rehabilitation Programs	Average 250
3.	Promotion of Sports & Culture 1. school children 2. Members and Teenager Boys	150 every year each program 150 - do -
4.	Matrimonial Service	100 every year
5.	Guidance & Career Counseling	50 every year
6.	Registered Candidates for Job Placement	55

REPORT ON ANNUAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR 2011 - 2012

1	April – 21, 2011	Executive Committee Meeting of DFDW
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The year began with the Executive Committee Meeting under the Chairmanship of our President Mrs Rajyalakshmi Rao. The venue of the meeting was Basement Hall, 119, Jorbagh, New Delhi

The main agenda for the E C Meeting was to approve 1. Inclusion of Mr. J C Gupta, Mrs Sangeeta Khanna and Mrs Anubhuti Mittal in our Committee, 2. Yearly Program on Foundation Day, Sports and Cultural Events and Independence Day Celebration, 4. Participation in various Exhibitions, Diwali Melas, Fete etc to sell handicraft items made by deaf women, 5. Organize 20th Pranay Milan Sammelan at National Level, 6. Fund Raising Project for Vocational Training in Crafts and Technical Training in Computer, English and Beauty Culture Courses and start New Course in Cooking Class and for “Own Home Project” and 7. Approve Budget for the Year 2011-2012.

Mrs Rao stressed to organize the DFDW ‘s Foundation Day, Pranay Milan Sammelan and an All India Cultural and Sports Festival for Deaf Women provided good fund is obtained. She also introduced some ladies of social luminaries ie. Ms. Vimla Mehra, IPS Special Commissioner Delhi Police, Ms Nargis Raj Kumar and Ms. Shyama Agarwal Chairperson, Laxman Public School for land allotment for DFDW's “Own Home Project”. Few new additions were made in the organization with the permission of the chair. These additions were:

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| 1. Mr. J.C Gupta | : Advisor |
| 2. Mrs. Annubhuti | : HR Consultant |
| 3. Mrs Sangeeta Khanna | : Advisor |

The Budget was passed to increase salaries of the Teachers as well the General Administration staff. The Committee authorized the Secretary to take immediate action to start Fund Raising Project through Raksha Bandhan and Advertisement appeals etc.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the President-Mrs Rajyalakshmi Rao for elaborate arrangement for the meeting venue .



Mrs Rajyalakshmi Rao, President DFDW chaired the E C Meeting, while Mrs Singdha Sharma interpreting in sign language to Mrs Uma Kapoor, Secretary DFDW



Special Invitee Mrs. Vimla Mehra IPS, Spl Commr. explaining detail to Mrs Snigdha to interpret in sign language to our Deaf Executive Committee Members.



Mrs Rajyalakshmi Rao requesting the special invitee Mrs. Shyama Agarwal, Chairperson of Laxman Public School to allot Land to DFDW for “Own Home project”

2	May 26 to 30, 2011	First All India Fine Arts & Crafts Festival and Miss Deaf India-cum Fashion Show
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The event took place in Indore and was organized by the All India Deaf Arts & Cultural Society and hosted by Mook Badhir Sangathan at Bilingual Academy for the Deaf Campus, Indore. Our students participated in following events :- Painting, Sculpture, Rangoli and Mehendi designing and Beauty Contest . The names of the participants are :



Our students participating in drawing competition



Pooja in Rangoli Designing competition



Kum Varsha in Mehandi Designing competition



Our student Rohit in Sculpture Designing



Kum Neelam in Mehandi Designing competition



DFDW's Deaf boys and girls who participated in the event



Ms Deepa Agarwal in Fashion Show Competition



Ms Deepa Agarwal in Saree Dress Competition



Ms Dolly Chuahan in Fashion Show Competition



Ms Dolly in Saree Dress Competition



Mrs Uma Kapoor, Secretary, DFDW was one of Judges to select winners' list



Ms Dolly bagged Best Talent Title while Ms Deepa won Best Dress Title

2. Other than this 20 Students enrolled for Computer, English Class and Tailoring Courses and Beauty Culture Course during the month of May.

3	August- 21, 2011	Post Independence Day Celebration & Picnic
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Like every year this year also we celebrated the Independence Day on 21st August 21, 2011 at Indraprastha Park, Gate No. 3 , Nizamuddin Crossing Bridge, Delhi.

FLag hosting was followed by Games, Quiz and Dance Competitions for Sub Jr., Junior, Senior Girls and Boys and Women .Attractive Prizes were distributed and Lunch were provided free to the Members

		
Post Independence Day Celebration	A large no.of participants gathered	Garlanding couples competition
		
Tug of War competition	Members were served free Lunch	Prizes were gifted to children winners

4 a)	October- 8, 2011	Participation in Exhibition – cum- Sale
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9th Asia Pacific Regional Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect (APCCAN 2011) was held at National Law University, Dwarka and we were given an opportunity to exhibit the handicrafts made in our vocational training center .Our products were well appreciated by the participants.

		
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4 b)**October- 16, 2011****Seminar on Cancer Awareness at PHD House**

A Seminar on Cancer Awareness was organized at Auditorium, PHD House, August Kranti Marg, New Delhi on Oct. 16, 2011.

DFDW's Secretary Mrs Uma Kapoor, Program Secretary Mrs Veena Malhotra and E C Member Ms Renu Bhardwaj attended the Seminar and Smt Uma Kapoor was presented a DVD (in Sign Language movie) a film on Cancer Awareness for the Deaf.



Later this Film was shown to the students and Members of DFDW to create Awareness on Cancer at the premises of DFDW's office in Paharganj, New Delhi .They were much impressed to know how that serious illness could be prevented as even they did not know what type of cancer disease is.

4 c)**October- 19 to 24. 2011****Diwali Melas & Exhibitions**

1. Diwali Mela at British High Commission's Lawn :: Oct. 19, 2011

We Participated in Diwali Mela at the British High Commissioner's Residence Lawn organized by the Foundation for Arts. This was first time we participated at Bitish High Commissioner's Special Diwali Fair. Our products were well appreciated by the visitors.

2. Diwali Mela at Gargi College, New Delhi :: Oct. 21, 2011

Gargi College provided us complimentary stall in their college during Diwali Fair and our Hand painted DIYAS, Candles, Decorative items, Fie Folders and other handicraft items got good appreciation from all.

3. Diwali Mela at MNC Evalueserves, Gurgaon (Oct'21st and 24th)

In the premises of a MNC the Evalueserve in Unitech Cyber Park, Gurgaon we put up a stall of our handicrafts , Diwali Diyas, Gift items etc. We got a great response from all and the exhibition sae helped us to get good fund for the Training Centre.

4. Diwali Mela at Blind Relief Association (Oct'22st to 24th)

Like every year this year also we participate in the well known Diwali Mela at the premises of B.R.A. Institute. Lal Bahadur Shashtri Marg, Near Oberoi Hotel, New Delhi. This is the most awaited Diwali Fair of the year. We got free stall for 3 days. As in past years, it fetched good income and our products were appreciated by the customers.

The event was organized at the NDMC Community Center, Bengali Market, New Delhi 110 001. Our members and students participated in the event as detailed below

Boys - Students	Girls - Members
1. Nalin Kulsari – (Capt.)	Renu Bala
2. Jagmohan Singh	Sadhana Talwar
3. Kunal Bansal	Nirmala Gupta
4. Manoj Kumar	
5. Ishwar Hans	
6. Shiv Kishore Gupta	
Manager-cum-Coach	Mr. Subhash Kapoor <i>National Awardee and a Veteran Chess Champion</i>

About 10 Deaf Clubs including Schools had participated in the event.

The **DFDW Team** won the Championship consecutively for 4th time . Renu Bala won Individual Women Title for the 8th time. They were presented Trophy, Merit Certificates besides Cash Awards.



DFDW's Secretary Smt Uma Kapoor delivering a speech



Renu Bala (right) in chess competition



DFDW's Students playing in Chess Competition



A large no. of chess participants had took part in the Event



Uma Kapoor and D. Bansal presenting Trophy & Certificate



DFDW's Team won Championship Trophy

**FREE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COURSES
in**

BEAUTY CULTURE

**Sponsored By
THE RAMJETHMALANI FOUNDATION**

**Courses Executed By
DELHI FOUNDATION OF DEAF WOMEN**



Ram Jethmalani Foundation Banner is displayed in Beauty Classroom

Photos on Training In Beauty Course



Practice in Hair styling



Hair Styling Course



Hair coloring with Mehendi



Practice in facial



Pedicure Class



Manicure Class

6	December 3 & 4, 2011	World Disability Day
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A) To celebrate World Disability Day **India Deaf Film Festival** was organized at Auditorium, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi. Our Sports Secretary **Ms Kajal Dhawan**, a *National Awardee* bagged Best Actress Award for the Film C.I.D.



Ms Kajal Dhawan, *National Awardee*

We also displayed a stall during the event. Many visitors appreciated the craft items preferably the leather craft handicrafts.

B) **Mekhla Jha Auditorium, National Bal Bhavan, New Delhi (Dec 3rd & 4th)**: All India Cultural Festival for the Deaf. Our girl members and deaf students played a major role in successfully conducting All India Cultural Festival for Deaf Children in association with Deaf Cultural Society, Delhi. Approximately nine states across India took part in it. They were provided comfortable lodging and boarding for the period Dec. 2 to 5, 2011.

7	December 31, 2011	Happy New Year Eve Celebrity
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On 31st March a small get together party was arranged to celebrate eve of New Year in the office premises of DFDW where 75 members, students and staff members took part in it. Mr. Onkar Sharma, General Secretary of All India Federation of the Deaf, Mr. Ravinder Mohan Gupta, Gen Secretary of All India Cricket Association of the Deaf, Mr. Dhananjay Bansal, Secretary of Silent Sports Promotion Society, Mr. Satvir Wadhawa Vice President of All India Deaf Arts and Cultural Society and Mr. O. N. Rattanpalji – Adviser graced the occasion and puzzle games were conducted besides dance competitions. The winners were presented with attractive prizes. Then the

Secretary announced new project on Cooking Class as the kitchen was renovated and necessary items were bought for this purpose.

Delicious refreshment was served to all participants and the members greeted every one for new coming 'HAPPY NEW YEAR 2012.

8	February 10 & 11, 2012	39th Foundation Day & Deaf Girls Day Seminar on Education and Career of Deaf Child Inter Deaf Schools Cultural and Sports Festival
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This year we celebrated our 39th Years of success and hard work . To commemorate our 39th Foundation Day & Deaf Girls Day, we had organized a 2 Days Special Event for Deaf on Feb 10th and Feb 11th 2012 at VRC Hall, Karkarduma, Delhi. . It was an awareness program – **Seminar on Education & Career of Deaf Child – cum – Inter Deaf Schools Cultural and Sports Festival.**

With help of Mr. J.C. Gupta, Adviser in DFDW and Member in R.C.I , we were able to get the VRC Auditorium and open Space complimentary to successfully organize the Seminar, Cultural and Sports Festival besides financial support through the RCI. Mr. Bachho Singh, Asstt Director in VRC also was cooperative to help us in proper arrangement for Food .

Dr. J. P. Singh, Member Secretary in Rehabilitation Council of India was kind enough to sanction a grant to conduct the above stated events in a befitting manner. Inspite of our repeated efforts, he could not make it to attend the Function, but in his place Mr. J. C. Gupta graced the occasion on 2nd day of the Event and increased moral boosting among the young deaf participants. **The event details are given below:**

FEBRUARY 2012	Date : Friday, February 10, 2012 at VRC Auditorium, Karkardooma, Delhi
9.30 A.M. To 12.30 Noon	Seminar on Education & Career of Deaf Child Participants: i) Parents of Deaf Children above 15 Years ii) Deaf Students above 15 years iii) Special Educators teaching Senior students “ Hear Me ” a Deaf Documentary Film and a video on “ Cancer and its Remedy ” in Sign Language
1 P.M. To 2 P.M.	Lunch for All Participants and Officials

2.00 PM to 3.00 PM	<p>Talent Competitions for Senior Girl Students and DFDW Members</p> <p>Events : Mehandi Designing, Rangoli Designing & Best Hair Stylist</p>
3.10 P.M. To 4 P.M.	<p>Prize Distribution followed by Evening Tea</p>
	<p>Date : Saturday , February 11, 2012</p>
8.30 A.M. To 12 Noon	<p>IV Delhi Sports Festival for Deaf Women</p> <p>Participants : - Junior and Senior Girl Students and DFDW Members and other Deaf Clubs</p> <p>Events : Chess and Carom Competition</p> <p>Lunch : For all Participants and Officials</p>
12.30 To 1.30 P.M.	<p>Inter Deaf Schools Cultural Festival</p> <p>Participants: Students of Special Schools for Deaf</p> <p>Age Group – A - 8 to 12 yrs</p> <p>Age Group - B above 12 to 16 years and DFDW Members (above 16 Years)</p> <p>Boys Students Fancy Dress on Joker</p>
2 P.M. to 3.30 P.M.	<p>Events : Drama - Not more than 15 min each school students</p>
3.45 P.M. onward	<p>Dance - Classical / Folk Dance –not more than 8 min each school and DFDW Member</p> <p>Prize Distribution followed by Foundation Cake Cutting and Tea</p>

Date: FEBRUARY 10, 2012 : VRC Auditorium, Karkarduma, Delhi

Seminar on Education & Career of Deaf Child :

In India deaf education was in a bad condition. Deaf students are often forced to speak and use of sign language is discouraged. We also found that since schools are not really preparing the deaf for a responsible and independent life, the deaf end up in menial jobs and get deeply frustrated.

Participants:

1. Parents of Deaf children
2. Govt Lady Noyce School for Deaf
3. Awaaz Special School
4. Asha Vidyalaya –Ghaziabad
5. Delhi Foundation of Deaf Women
6. Noida Deaf Society
7. The Deaf Way
8. Sai Swayam Society
9. Members of Few Deaf NGO's
10. Silent Sports Promotion Society
11. All India Cricket Association of Deaf
12. Delhi Cultural Society
13. Dr. Madan Mohan Vasistha , Ex Professor, Gallaudet University USA
and presently a Member in IGNOU a unit of Ministry of SJ&E , GOI

Topics for Discussion

1. Improving Practices for Students with Hearing Impairments, in Exceptional Children.
2. Issues in Educating Students with Disabilities.
3. Mainstreaming Handicapped Children: Outcomes, Controversies, and New Directions.
4. Parents' Guide to Special Needs Schooling: Early Intervention Years.
5. Effects of Early Intervention on Hearing Impaired Children.
6. Schemes and facilities available for hearing Impaired- Govt. Policies
7. Deaf adults' attitudes toward career choices for deaf and hearing people in India.
8. Career opportunities for deaf in India
9. Self- Employment and Vocational Training Programs for Deaf
10. Sports promotion awareness among deaf and its benefit in getting job through Sports Quota
11. Encourage deaf participants to take part in cultural as well talent competitions and become self confident

SPEAKERS OF THE DAY

At the seminar the speakers who shared their views and suggestions on the issues were:

S.No.	Name of the Speakers	Designation with name of establishment
1.	Mrs Uma Kapoor	Secretary, Delhi Foundation of Deaf Women
2	Mr. J. L Sippy	Director, Awaaz Special School
3	Mrs Sangeeta Khanna	Sr. Spl Educator, Govt Lady Noyce School for the Deaf
4	Parents	Of Deaf Children
5	Mrs P. M. Tiwathia	Principal, Asha Vidyalaya
6	Mr. Ravinder Mohan Gupta	Gen Secretary, All India Cricket Association of the Deaf
6	Mr. Suresh Ahuja	Executive Com Member, All India Federation of the Deaf
7	Mr. Dhananjay Bansal	Secretary, Silent Sports Promotion Society

After conclusion of the Seminar a documentary Film “ **Deaf – Hear Me**’ was shown to the participants . It was an eye opener for the parents who considered that education is not required for deaf children. They were very much impressed with the film which gave real picture on life of deaf community how they face difficulty in communicating with the hearing teachers and lack behind in getting proper education which resulted in un- employment and inferior complexion among them.

A video on “ **Cancer and its Prevention**” created in Sign Language was also shown to the Deaf who were quite un aware of the meaning of Cancer. Almost all the audience stopped to move and watched the full video very carefully and thanked the organizer the DFDW to make them aware against the killer disease “Cancer” and how to prevent them from falling to its prey.

Complimentary tasty lunch were served to all participants, Guests and the officials. After 2 p.m. Talent competitions were conducted in the following events

1. Best Mehandi Designing , 2. Best Rangoli Designing and 3. Best Hair Stylist

for two age groups – Senior Students and Members of DFDW and Deaf Clubs

The following Judges helped in selecting winners list

1. C.A. Mr. R S Goel. 2. Mr. Ravinder Mohan Gupta and 3. Ms Kajal Dhawan

Winners list each competitions are given as below

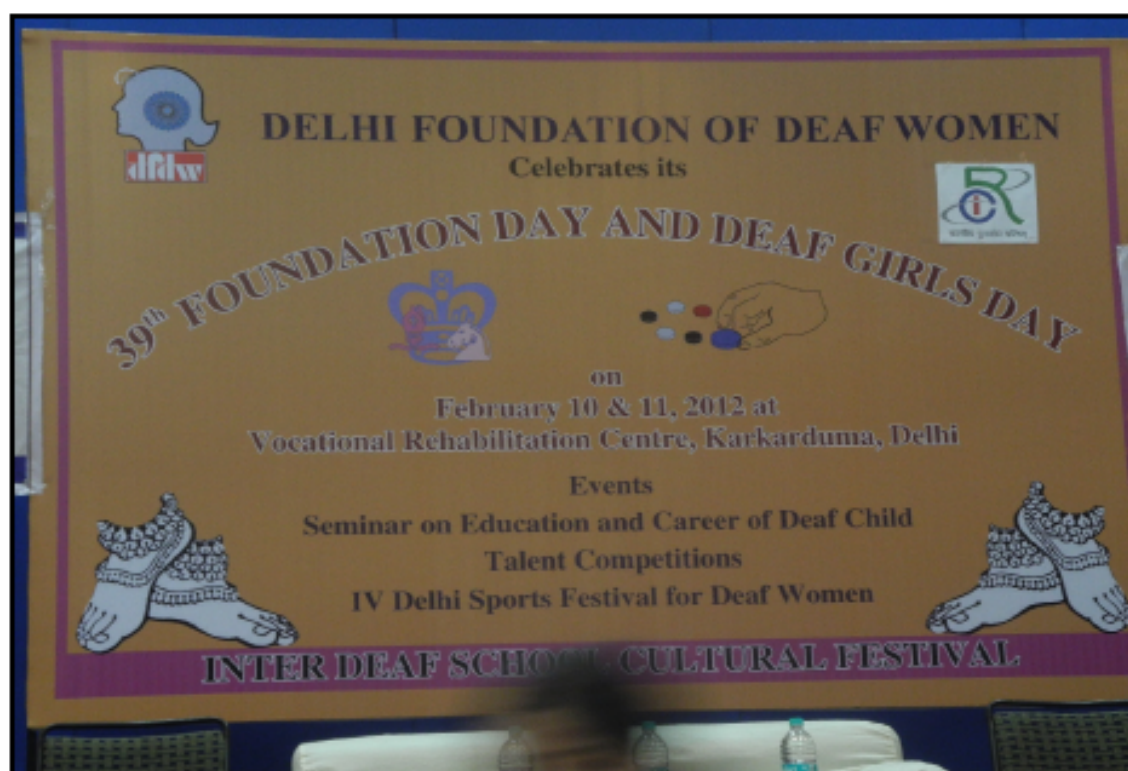
STUDENTS

Rank	Mehandi Designing	Rangoli Designing	Hair Styling
I	Pooja Sharma (GLNSD)	Phoolmati (GLNSD)	Pooja Sharma (GLNSD)
II	Shabana (Asha Vidyalaya)	Shalu (Asha Vidyalaya)	Harsha (Asha Vidyalaya)
III	Radha (GLNSD)	Rekha (GLNSD)	Payal (GLNSD)
		MEMBERS	
I	Farah (DFDW)	Madhu Agarwal (OM)	Renu Singh 9DFDW)
II	Ritu Lohar (NSD)	Ritu Lohar (NSD)	Rani (OM)
III	Lalita Pal (OM)	Renu Singh (DFDW)	Dolly Chauhan (DFDW)

At 4 P.M. The Vice President of DFDW Mrs Ambi Rani Sinha gave away prizes and Certificates of Merit to the winners .

The 1st Day concluded with vote of thanks to the Participants and Tea Evening were served.

Glimpse on event ;



		
<p>Chief Guest Mr. J C Gupta delivering speech on Education</p>	<p>Mr. J.P. Sippy, Principal, Awaaz Special School delivering lecture on Education for Deaf Child,</p>	<p>A large no. of deaf students with their parents attended the Seminar</p>
		
<p>Rangoli Designing Competition</p>	<p>Girls in Hair Styling Competition</p>	<p>Approx 200 participants had benefitted from this Function</p>

Date: FEBRUARY 11, 2012 : VRC Auditorium, Karkarduma, Delhi

Day two was the day for **IV Delhi Sports Festival for Deaf Women and Inter Deaf Schools Cultural Festival**. The program details are :

IV Delhi Sports Festival for Deaf Women

In the morning Chess and Carom events started separately for Senior Students and members of DFDW and other Deaf Clubs . All the participants were excited to take part in it and prove their excellence performance in each Games

Technical Directors :

1. Ms Kajal Dhawan 2. Mr. Debdatta Sahoo 3. Mr Jagmohan Singh
4. Mrs Itishree Malhotra 5. Mrs Veena Malhotra

List of Winners : STUDENTS

Rank	Carrom	Chess	Dance Competition
I	Ruchi (NDS)	Sweetie (GLNCD)	GLNSCD
II	Rita (GLNSD)	Phoolmat	Asha Vidyalaya
III	Rachna Gupta (NDS) and Poonam (Asha Vidyalaya)	Rita	
		MEMBERS	
I	Renu Singh (DFDW)	Sadhana Talwar	DFDW – Boys Students
II	Akki Sharma (- do -)	Bimla Saxena	
III	Ritu Lohar (NSD)	Meeta	

Photographs on Sports Festival events

		
Players busy in carom event competition	Members participating in Chess Competition	Technical Directors selecting winners list
		
Complimentary Lunch were served to the participants.	Chief Guest Mr. J C Gupta distributing Prizes to the winners	Group photo of Officials for successful holding of Events

After completion of Games, Lunch were served to all the participants, Guests and officials

Inter Deaf Schools Cultural Festival

The Chief Guest Mr. J.C Gupta graced the occasion . Guest of Honour Dr. Madan Mohan Vasistha , Ex Professor, Gallaudet University USA and presently a Member in IGNOU – Indian Sign Language Deptt. -a unit of Ministry of SJ&E , GOI was also present during the Cultural Festival.

The students of Govt Lady Noyce School for Deaf (GLNSD) performed excellent in Dance event. Their well costumes and make up added winning point. Students of Asha Vidyalaya, Sai Swayam Society, Noida Deaf Society and Members of DFDW took part in Mime show and Dance competitions. Due to Board exams falling, many more schools missed opportunity to take part in this historic event.

The following Judges were present to select winners' list:

1. **Mr. Srijeet Das** 2. **Ms Shruti Kakkar** 3. **Mr. Ravinder Mohan Gupta**

In Dance Competition the GLNSD bagged first prize while Asha Vidyalaya 2nd Prize and DFDW (Boys Students) were placed in 3rd rank.

Dr. Madan Mohan Vasistha gave away Cash Prizes to the Cultural Artists and winners in Carom and Chess Competitions. The Cash award for Cultural Artists carried

Rs.1500/- for I st Prize Rs.1000/- 2nd Prize : Rs. 500/- - 3rd Prize each group wise

The Secretary, DFDW - Mrs Uma Kapoor thanked all the Guests, participants, parents of deaf children, judges, E C Members of DFDW and Reception Committee members for making the Events a Great success. She also announced Inaugural Ceremony of Cooking Class to celebrate International Women's Day on 10th March 2012 at the central office premises of DFDW.

On conclusion of the function Foundation Day Cake celebrating DFDW's 39th Foundation Day was cut and distributed to all participants and they enjoyed Evening tea with snacks.

Photos on Cultural Festival



Cultural Performance by Deaf school children



Judges are busy in selecting winners list



Chief Guest Mr. J C Gupta gave away prizes to the Dance artists



39th Foundation Day –
Cake Cutting by Uma Kapoor



Judge Ms Shruti Kakar was felicitated with the memento



Group Photo of officials and volunteers

Special Thanks to the Rehabilitation Council of India, Ali Yavur Jung National Institute of Hearing Impaired, Punjab National Bank and Steel Authority of India and ONGC for extending their financial as well morale support to make our Events a great success.

9	March 10, 2012	International Women's Day New Course in Cooking Class
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Delhi Foundation of the Deaf Women always treats women on equal basis. Therefore, we feel ourselves responsible to give training of different courses to women because a deaf girl can win the hearts of her family by cooking delicious food and can also put her share to support her family without leaving her home.

Cooking classes for Deaf women will be held at DFDW thrice a week. Knowledge about the accessories used in kitchen will also be imparted to deaf women so that they would be able to purchase house hold items by themselves. Theoretical knowledge as well as practical knowledge about recipes will also be given to them. Garnishing with the help of vegetables and fruits will also be taught to them. This could prove to be very beneficial for them as through these classes they could learn to cook various dishes and be able to earn a handsome amount of profit by starting a business of selling and supplying cooking items. Along with this we will also provide the knowledge through small internal workshops on nutritional values of food and will specially train deaf women about the kind of diet and food required during pregnancy and motherhood.

With financial support of Jindal Aluminum Limited , the DFDW was able to renovate the kitchen and buy some utensils and ingredients to start new course in Cooking Class. Though the course was expected to start in January 2012 but the sufficient fund could not be arranged to complete the renovation. Therefore we had to wait to arrange some fund out of GMR Foundation and finally the renovation was completed with installing new big water tank, wash basin, and installing RO water purifier equipment.

To commemorate International Women's Day - Cooking Class was inaugurated on 10th March 2012. by a grandson of a deaf couple which was applauded by the participants and well wishers who had joined to grace the occasion

PHOTOS ON COOKING CLASS

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

2012

Inauguration Ceremony of Cooking Class

Executed by



Sponsored by



Jindal Aluminium Ltd.



**Inauguration Ceremony of Cooking class by a grandson of a deaf couple
on occasion of International Women's Day on 10th March 2012**



All young girls registered for this course



Teaching how to make tasty quick B.F.



Girls watching keenly on the cooking method



Ingredients used for making Break fast



Photo shows new kitchen wares and utensils for cooking class



The tasty but hygienic bread sandwich were served to the participants

The young girls registered their names for Cooking class and the classes were conducted thrice a week under the guidance of expert cook . The NCT of Delhi Govt in the Deptt. Of Women and Child Development was kind enough to sanction grant to reimburse expenses on purchase of edible things and cooking items .

10	March 24, 2012	XX Pranay Milan Sammelan (for Deaf) Matrimonial Assistance
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This year DFDW organized its 20th Pranay Milan Sammelan for hearing impaired. It seems as yesterday only we started this special service for providing matrimonial assistance to deaf. Through our 20 years of this journey we successfully made hundreds of matches. Every year in the Sammelan we bless and greet the newly-wed couples who found a suitable match for themselves through this sammelan.

Since last 6 years well known matrimonial company **shaadi.com** joined hands with us to reach to more people around the country so that maximum deaf get benefited by our service. Speaking about the occasion, **Ms. Rajyalaxmi Rao, President of DFDW said**, This is a special SWAYAMVAR for hearing impaired, which is organized by Delhi Foundation of Deaf Women since 1991 with the purpose of helping the parents and the individuals with hearing impairment who are looking for partners to join matrimony together and give them an opportunity to meet each other to find a suitable match for them. We feel immense pleasure when we see couples happily married through this Sammelan. The matrimonial service extends to neighboring states. It gives immense pride to know that other local organizations are emulating our Pranay Milan Sammelan Program.

We hope that this year also many participants are able to choose a suitable match through this sammelan. I also heartily acknowledge the joint efforts of shaadi.com to make this event more successful.

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi Smt. Sheila Dixit ji also admired our services and gave her consent to inaugurate the event but due to last minute urgency she could not come. **Hon'ble Justice G. S. Sistani ji** inaugurated the event. He appreciated our rehabilitation projects and especially the unique matrimonial Sammelan we are organizing.

Last year 10 couple got married through this event. Mr. Sistani and Mrs Rajya Laxmi Rao blessed the newly-weds with gifts. This year also many hearing impaired attended this sammelan along with their guardians.

We wish they find a suitable match and next year we see them along with their better half on this stage.

On conclusion of the XX PMS event, a General Body Meeting of All India Foundation of Deaf Women was held in which delegates from 12 states took part in it. The main agenda was to get its Registration Certificate and spread activities in rural as well urban areas in all states .



XX PRANAY MILAN SAMMELAN

(for Hearing Impaired)

24th March 2012 :: Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi



Video on Silent National Anthem performed by Deaf Children was shown during the opening ceremony of the XX PMs



The event started with lightening of the Lamp by Chief Guest Mr. G.S. Sistani, Justice of High Court of Delhi Mrs Manpreet Brar was among the Guests of Honour.



President of DFDW Mrs Rajyalakshmi Rao delivering Welcome Speech



BHEL's Banner was displayed announcing Sponsorship for Computer Course



Newly Wed Couples of last year PMS were felicitated with wedding Gifts



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