

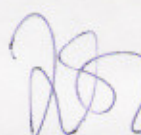
## ANNUAL REPORT 2002

During 2002 Asmita's Slow Learner Center catered its services to around 200 children among whom 50 were given regular training where as rest were provided outdoor services and 20 students were integrated to normal schooling. Out of 50 children, seven poor children who cannot afford their educational expenses were financially supported by Asha Chicago for their recurring monthly expenses. The amount \$ 550 /- per annum was spent on the children (i.e. the minimum expenses on each child came to Rs 300 /- per month). Asmita has financially supported the five other poor students in similar way.

Apart from routine activities like Block Placement of students from Chetna Institute for Mentally Challenged and Deptt. of Social Work Lucknow University. Chief milestones of this session are given as below:

- Five Dissertations (small research projects) on various issues related to Mental Subnormality were completed in collaboration with Deptt. of Psychology Lucknow University.
- Mental Health Care Division imparted its Counselling Skill Training to 10 eligible candidates successfully.
- In addition to once again transmission from Lucknow Doordarshan & preparation of a Documentary, activities of Asmita (Slow Learners Center) were highlighted on 27<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2002 through Delhi Doordarshan under the program of Namaskar: Hall of Fame. (It was in the tune of 'Kiran' program transmitted by DD1 to inspire the people on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2001)
- On July 9<sup>th</sup> Asmita touched another laurel as its activities were greatly appreciated by Rastriya Sahara by publishing Smt. Madhuri Dwivedi (President of Asmita) as 'Prerak Vyaktitva'.
- In Special Olympics held at New Delhi in the month of Oct 2002. Five students of Asmita participated and won Silver Medal.
- Students of Asmita vigorously participated in painting competitions organized by various agencies and received Prizes / Awards.
- In an attempt to give relief to the people from sever cold in winter season blankets & clothing were distributed to the downtrodden and very poor villagers.

Lastly but not the least, this year Asmita's Community Health Center services touched a new height. Gaining inspiration from Asha Chicago's Dr. Sandeep Pandey's community work at Lalpur, Hardoi, a similar voluntary work has been initiated at a village in the outskirts of Kanpur. From this village, Sawaryajpur the nearest Primary Health Centre ~~is~~ ~~about~~ is about 9 km and people are as ignorant about Health services as about Phoenix. So with the support of Physician, Cardiologist and a Psychiatrist this service has been started on third Sunday of every month. At Religious Fete two days Health Camp was held & medicines were distributed.

  
31/12/2002

(K DUTT)

Secretary, ASMITA  
12/357, Indira Nagar,  
Lucknow-226016  
Ph.No.(0522)2343257