



## **KHUSHBOO WELFARE SOCIETY**

*For Persons With Mental And Multiple Disabilities*



**"Allow me to participate so that I have a VOICE**

**Provide me protection so I learn to APPRECIATE**

**Give me opportunity so that I CONTRIBUTE**

**Help me to EMPOWER myself"**

Khushboo Welfare Society was born on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 1995, the "World Disability Day", as a non-profit voluntary organization dedicated for Persons for Disabilities. A few spirited friends initiated it to provide quality professional services for children with mental disabilities, which were not available locally. The Society is registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, Persons with Disabilities (Equal opportunity, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995, Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) and The National Trust under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

The mission of 'Khushboo' is **"Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities for Participation with Equality"** based on **"Concern and Compassion with Commitment"**. Its set aim is to build itself into a Professional-services Organisation of highest standards for the persons with Mental and Multiple Disabilities, and to sensitize the society, for their 'inclusion' in all aspects.

'Khushboo', at present covers rehabilitation services and programs for 250 children and young adults with mental and multiple disabilities under its umbrella. In this process, 'Khushboo' with its pragmatic projects, aims on integrating the children with special needs into their own families, the mainstream schools and on promoting selective vocations for their inclusion in mainstream society to improve their quality of life. The empowerment of the disabled and the society and promotion of their cause in all facets of civic life is its ultimate aim.

'Khushboo' now operates from its own premises in Gurgaon, (near Delhi airport on Delhi Jaipur highway) constructed solely by liberal community donations and support, on a plot of land specially allotted to it by Haryana Urban Development Authority, in recognition of its serious commitment and professional approach.

At present, 'Khushboo' has three structured projects in operation, besides various awareness, sensitization and capacity building programs and consultancy services. These are:

### **SPARSH (Early Detection & Intervention) -**

Provides services of early detection and intervention through special care for children with disabilities in the age group of 0-6 years. 'Concern India Foundation' financially supports the sustenance of this project. The aim of 'Sparsh' is to work for inclusion of such 'special' children in their own families and peer groups, through strategies of early home based intervention and training with institutional support for development as per their



potential. 'Sparsh' also takes sensitization and advocacy initiatives with parents, health care institutions and mainstream schools for their special needs.

**BLESSINGS (Academic Division)**- Khushboo's 1<sup>st</sup> project was initiated as an institution for special education and intervention with speech, occupational and other relevant therapies, and training in life-support activities of daily living, to assist in rehabilitation of the 'Special' children with mental and multiple disabilities.

It also carries out functional assessments, medical checkups and follow-ups, recreational activities and counseling support for the parents.

**SAMARTH (Vocational Training Project)** -Has been conceived as a vehicle to train the persons with mental and multiple disabilities in appropriate vocations or trades, to empower them to realise their right to become contributing members of the society with enhanced self-esteem.

This project, presently supported by 'BASAIID' of Switzerland, is a giant step to provide economic independence to such persons and to facilitate their inclusion in the mainstream society.



## **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

**CAPACITY BUILDING**-Khushboo' conducts a 6-month training course Community 'Care Givers' for the disabled, sponsored by the 'National Trust'. Two courses of 10 trainees each were conducted in 2004, the year of inception of this program. It is intended that in the time to come more training programs for professionals in this field would be added.

**CONSULTANCY SERVICES**-Khushboo' provides professional consultancy services to other organizations working in the field of mental and multiple disabilities

**AWARENESS AND SENSITIZATION CAMPAIGNS** -'Khushboo' conducts sensitization campaigns in the urban and rural communities, regular educational institutions and corporate sector. The organisation takes proactive stand towards realization of rights and for provision of equal opportunities for Persons with Disabilities.

**'Khushboo' is pursuing its development into a premier Voluntary Organisation for persons Mental and Multiple Disabilities by continuously upgrading its infrastructure in all areas, by enlarging its programs and by spreading its reach to the largest possible spectrum of the society. Its growth has been possible through dedication of its approach and the liberal support of the community, the need for which grows with each day of its existence.**

***We sincerely believe that 'Seeing is believing'- we invite u to visit us at our premises in Sector 10 A- Gurgaon;***

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