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**FROM THE DESK OF THE
GENERAL SECRETARY & CEO**

**"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord,
plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future
and a hope" - Jeremiah 29:11**

Dear Readers of the New Delhi YMCA Newsletter,

I want to take a moment to send my warmest greetings to you and your loved ones. May this new chapter bring you joy, prosperity, and countless opportunities for growth and success, it's a time of reflection, resolution, and renewal. It's also a time to embrace the spirit of giving and social responsibility, and what better way to do so than by supporting the New Delhi YMCA and its noble causes.

The New Delhi YMCA has been a beacon of hope and service in communities around the NCT of Delhi and the surrounding states for decades, embodying the values of youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. As we embark on this New Year, let us reaffirm our commitment to these principles and pledge our support to the New Delhi YMCA's mission.

By supporting the New Delhi YMCA, we can ensure that every person has the opportunity to thrive and succeed, regardless of their background or circumstances.

The New Delhi YMCA is a champion of social responsibility, working tirelessly to address systemic issues such as inequality, injustice, and environmental degradation. Through advocacy, community organizing, and partnerships with other organizations, the New Delhi YMCA is leading the charge for positive change in our society.

It has been a time where we were able to organize some important programmes for the New Delhi YMCA especially the Carnival which was on the theme "Beti Bachao, Beti Padao". The funds raised through this event are to be utilized towards the educational programme for the Girl Child at our Hodal, Haryana Division. The Tribal Festival on the theme "Unity in Diversity" saw the Tribal Community coming together to celebrate with their traditional dances, food, and fashion. The New Delhi YMCA gives them the platform for this event. The Nizamuddin Division organized the Ability Utsav.

New Delhi YMCA hosted the National Board Meeting on 27/2/2024 where the leaders and Secretaries from the National movement attended the same.

It is a time for us to remember the power we have to make a difference in the world. Let us commit ourselves to supporting the New Delhi YMCA and its vital mission. Together, we can create a brighter future for generations to come.

Happy New Year, with a renewed sense of purpose and a commitment to making a positive impact !

God Bless the New Delhi YMCA.

With Warm Regards,
Rajeev Singh
General Secretary & CEO



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**FROM THE OFFICE OF
THE PRESIDENT**

Dear Members & Well-wishers of the New Delhi YMCA,

Greetings in the Majestic name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Grace & Providence of God is ever-prevalent as we move into 2024 with a renewed sense of faith, belief, confidence, and compassion, to ensure that the New Delhi YMCA continues to work towards the extension of the kingdom of God, through multifarious programs, activities, empowerment of youth and underprivileged, and upliftment of the community, for the development of Body, Mind & Soul.

The New Year has begun on a high note with the successful implementation of large-scale Programs of the New Delhi YMCA, namely, The Carnival, The Tribal Festival, HPDP Annual Convocation, YPS Special Wing Ability Utsav, and various other undertakings that define the essence of the New Delhi YMCA and its core functionalities.

The New Delhi YMCA Management & Staff are working diligently to finalize the budgets for the following year and allocate monetary resources towards the efficient development of the various departments and the NDY as a whole. Through the wisdom and experience of the NDY Board, the financial stature of NDY is heading in the right direction and aiming at self-sustenance.

As 2024 progresses, I would like to encourage the NDY Members to continue their active participation, inclusion, and involvement in various programs, events, committees, etc. in order to create an environment of togetherness, teamwork, support, and well-being.

Let's continue to dedicate our earnest efforts to serve the community, the society, and the Nation through our Prayers, Support, and Cooperation.

Kindly continue to keep the New Delhi YMCA in your Prayers.

Regards & God Bless,
J A Benjamin
President, NDY



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The New Delhi YMCA organized the Induction Ceremony of the New Members of the New Delhi YMCA on Saturday, 17 February 2024, at the Front Lawn, Tourist Hostel, NDY. 34 new members were inducted into the NDY Membership. The ceremony began with an Opening Prayer by Dr. Sudhir Joseph, Vice President. Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO, welcomed the gathering and shared a brief introduction and history of the YMCA movement and the New Delhi YMCA. Mr. J A Benjamin, President, shared his greetings and highlighted the YMCA Mission. He explained the expectations from the new members, along with declaring "The Charge" which affirms the allegiance to the Association's purpose. The Scripture reading was done by Mr. Girish Varghese, Vice-President. The President and Office Bearers, New Delhi YMCA led the Induction, Basic Commitment, and Affirmation of the Paris Basis by the new members. A Prayer of agreement and commissioning was led by Mr. Inderjit Lal, Hon. Treasurer, followed by the recitation of the Lord's Prayer by the new members. The NDY Choir led the gathering in a congregational hymn, followed by the Closing Prayer and Benediction by Rev. Vasant Kumar Reuben, Member, Board of Directors, NDY. The ceremony concluded with the introduction of the new members followed by fellowship over tea and refreshments.

GNPC PRAYER BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP



The New Delhi YMCA - Greater Noida Programme Centre organized a Prayer Breakfast Fellowship on Saturday, 27th January 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in the GNPC Auditorium. The Fellowship began with a wonderful prayer offered by Pastor Rajesh John from Kingdom Warriors Church. Mr. Ashish Thorat, Associate General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA heartily welcomed the gathering and Mr. Vijay Russell, Chairman, GNPC, extended their cordial greetings to all the members present. This edition of the Prayer Breakfast Fellowship saw a presence of approximately 50 people. The Praise and Worship session was led by the St. Mary's Church Choir, Noida. They sang lovely gospel songs, filling the auditorium with a gracious ambiance and inspiring the people, as everyone sang along. The scripture portion taken from the Gospel of John - 17:18 - 23, was read by Mr. Steve. The guest speaker, Rev. Fr. Ajay Franston, St. Mary's Church, Noida, delivered the word of God and emphasized on the importance of oneness with the Father and the Son. The congregation song "Aaj Ka Din Yahowa Ne Banaya Hai" filled the auditorium with a graceful atmosphere. The Closing Prayer and Benediction was offered by Pastor Anil Kumar, Greater Noida. The Assistant General Secretary, Mr. Hemant Agarwal invited the Chairman, Mr. Vijay Russell for the felicitation ceremony, who presented the guest speaker, Rev. Fr. Ajay Franston, and St. Mary's Church Choir with planters and mementos. The Closing Prayer and Benediction were offered by, Rev. Fr. Ajay Franston, St. Mary's Church, Noida. The Vote of Thanks was proposed by Mr. Hemant Agarwal, Assistant General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA. All the members joined in the Fellowship Breakfast after the program.

GNPC PRAYER BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP



The New Delhi YMCA - Greater Noida Programme Centre organised a Prayer Breakfast Fellowship on the fourth Saturday, 24th February 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in the GNPC auditorium. Pastor Anil Kumar started the Prayer Breakfast Fellowship with a beautiful prayer. Mr. Vijay Russell, Chairman, GNPC, warmly greeted everyone. More than 60 persons attended the Prayer Breakfast Fellowship this time. Spiritual Growth Fellowship of Greater Noida led a spirit-filled Praise and Worship session. The Scripture portion was taken from the book of Joel - 2:12-17, which was read by Pastor Rajesh in Hindi and by Pastor Sanjay Kumar in English. The guest speaker, Rev. Deepak Silas, from Methodist Church, Greater Noida, delivered the word of God and explained the importance of experiencing forgiveness from God the moment we turn from our sins and replace them by trusting in Jesus who is the Lord and, of our lives. After the Sermon, the Congregational Hymn was " Hai Mere Man Yehova Ko Dhanya Kaho" sung by the congregation. The Closing Prayer and Benediction were offered by Rev. Deepak Silas, Presbyterian-in-charge, Methodist Church, Greater Noida. Mr. Sagar Emanuel Paul, Assistant Secretary, New Delhi YMCA, invited the Chairman, Mr Vijay Russell, to the felicitation ceremony and presented the guests with planters and mementoes. The Vote of Thanks was proposed by Mr. Sagar Emanuel Paul, Assistant Secretary. All the members joined in the Fellowship Breakfast after the programme.

PCTC FREE MEDICAL CAMP AT GNPC



ENT & GENERAL DIAGNOSIS FOR NDY STAFF

"Time and Health are two precious assets that we don't recognize and appreciate until they have been depleted." - Denis Waitley. The Department of Program, Cultural, & Tribal; organized a Free Medical Camp for NDY Staff on 30th January 2024 at the Greater Noida Programme Centre, Greater Noida, UP. The Medical Camp began with a word of prayer by Mr. Ashish Clifton, Secretary, NDY. This initiative was aimed at emphasizing and ensuring the social and medical welfare of the NDY Community. A voluntary team of 10 Doctors and Medical Experts was deputed "ENTEGRITY" to examine and diagnose NDY personnel. The brilliant medical team diagnosed 60-70 NDY beneficiaries, including NDY Staff, Executives, and Workmen. They conducted elaborate procedures that included ENT check-ups and General Diagnosis followed by prescriptions and medical counseling. The program concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Mr. Ashish Clifton, Secretary, NDY. The Medical Personnel were felicitated with Mementos & Certificates for their Participation & Support.

The Ability Utsav held on January 31st, 2024, showcased by YPS Special Wing, marked a significant gathering aimed at celebrating abilities and fostering inclusivity. The event encompassed a range of activities and acknowledgments, showcasing the talents and achievements of participants.

Commencing at 9:30 AM, the program unfolded throughout the day, culminating in the prize distribution ceremony at 1:30 PM. The schedule was meticulously organized, featuring diverse programs catering to the interests and abilities of the attendees.

The event saw the participation of differently abled children from 15 Special Schools of Delhi NCR. Activities included folk dance, singing, drawing & painting, rangoli, flower arrangement, best out of waste, and instrumental music. The event featured several notable elements, including prize distributions, certificates, and special recognitions. Participants competed for the first, second, and third prizes. Two special prizes in the form of trophies were awarded, adding prestige to the occasion. DAV Gurgaon was presented with the Best School Trophy.

Ambassador Riva Ganguly Das was the Chief Guest at the event. She has held many important appointments including the Indian Ambassador to Romania, Albania, and Moldova. She has been High Commissioner in Bangladesh. Prior to her retirement in 2021, Ambassador Das was Secretary (East) of the Ministry of External Affairs. Other prominent attendees present at the opening ceremony were Mr Rajiv Singh, General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA, Mr. Feroze Khan, Secretary YMCA Nizamuddin, and Principal Mr. C.P Davies. The programme started with the lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries.



Ability Utsav - YPS Special Wing



The active involvement of students, both as participants and volunteers, contributed to the event's success. Their dedication and enthusiasm were instrumental in ensuring the smooth execution of various activities throughout the day. TTI students were actively involved in the organization of the event.

Refreshments were provided to all attendees, including children and staff, ensuring a comfortable and enjoyable experience for everyone present. The event drew a gathering of approximately 270 individuals from outside the organization, reflecting its broad appeal and positive reception within the community.

In conclusion, the Ability Utsav held on January 31st, 2024, emerged as a resounding success, highlighting the talents and capabilities of individuals while promoting inclusivity and mutual respect. The event's seamless organization and enthusiastic participation underscored its significance in promoting awareness and appreciation of diverse abilities within society.

The annual science exhibition held at YMCA Public School, Nizamuddin East, was a captivating celebration of scientific exploration and creativity. Under the theme "Fun with Science," students and educators alike demonstrated a remarkable enthusiasm for learning and discovery. From live experiments to innovative working models, the event was brimming with excitement and ingenuity.

The exhibition was inaugurated by secretary Mr. Feroze Khan, Principal Mr. C . P. Davis, Coordinators Mrs. Sheena Subroi, Mrs. Namita Kakkar and Mrs. Alpana Poddar along with Trainee Secretary Mr . Mark Biswas. They visited the exhibition and observed all the students. Children explained their models enthusiastically. Every dignitary enjoyed and appreciated the efforts of the students. Students from the Primary, Middle, and Senior wing also visited the exhibition.

The students displayed their creative and scientific potential in diverse arenas revolving around the themes of Agriculture, Food Security, Sources of Energy and their Conservation, Transport, Communication, Disaster Management, Health, Robotics, and Engineering Sciences. Students were at their innovative best as they designed their own Automobile, Hover Craft, Motorboats, Metal Detectors, Echo Rangers, Rural Air Conditioners, and Earthquake Impact Detectors to unique designs for tapping alternative sources of energy and new ways to conserve the conventional ones. The event in itself ignited the scientific curiosity in children and gave them a platform to give concrete dimensions to their ideas, from the zone of imagination to realism.

The Social Science Department also participated in different types of displays. The Primary section displayed different types of Igloos and the lifestyle of Eskimos. They also explained about the Indian forest and its wildlife. Also, the Secondary section displayed the Jewellery and toys of Harappan culture and their living standard. On the other side, they also showed the different Stupas and the war of King Ashoka in Kalinga beautifully.

Maths Department also participated in different types of displays. The Primary Wing displayed various models of fractions, decimals, calendars, time, lines, and angles. They also displayed a working model of a Clock and explained the concept of time in detail. The middle school displayed the working model of square and square root, cubes and cube roots, algebraic identities, and triangles and explained the concepts well to the visitors.

The senior wing displayed the working model on Trigonometry triangles and algebraic Identities. The excitement of students during the exhibition was evident and they were able to analyze the importance of Maths in their daily life.





Live Experiments: One of the most engaging aspects of the exhibition was the array of live experiments conducted by students. From simple chemical reactions to intricate physics demonstrations, attendees were treated to a hands-on experience of scientific principles in action. The interactive nature of these experiments fostered curiosity and sparked a sense of wonder among visitors of all ages.

Working Models: Another standout feature of the exhibition was the impressive range of working models on display. Students showcased their creativity and technical skills through projects that explored various scientific concepts. From renewable energy solutions to advanced robotics, the models demonstrated a deep understanding of complex ideas while also highlighting the practical applications of science in everyday life.

Peer Participation and Innovation: The exhibition provided a platform for students to collaborate and share their ideas with peers. Through group projects and collaborative efforts, participants demonstrated the power of teamwork in tackling scientific challenges. The spirit of innovation was palpable as students exchanged insights and worked together to overcome obstacles, fostering a culture of creativity and exploration within the school community.

The "Fun with Science" exhibition at YMCA Public School, Nizamuddin East, was a resounding success, showcasing the boundless potential of young minds to explore, innovate, and inspire. Through their passion for discovery and experimentation, students demonstrated that science is not only informative but also incredibly enjoyable. The event served as a testament to the importance of hands-on learning and collaborative inquiry in fostering a lifelong love of science. The science exhibition was a huge success under the guidance of Principal Mr. C.P Davis and the Science department.

On the whole, the Science exhibition was a great learning experience for both the students and teachers alike wherein it seemed that the world of science practically came alive, through the blooming projects of our young student innovators.

The theme of 'Beti Bachao Beti Pado' resonated with the people once again at the New Delhi YMCA Carnival 2024 organized on Sunday 11 February 2024 on the premises of the New Delhi YMCA Campus.

The Inauguration Ceremony started with a prayer offered by Rt Revd Paul Swarup, Bishop of Delhi, Church of North India. The Chief Guest Smt Meenakshi Lekhi, Hon'ble Minister of State for External Affairs and Culture inaugurated the Carnival. During her address, she congratulated the New Delhi YMCA for its endeavour to focus on the education of the girl child. She appreciated the fact that the New Delhi YMCA stood in support of this important vision of the Government of India. Mr Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO delivered the welcome address. Mr J A Benjamin, President and Mr Alope Michyari, Chairman, the Carnival Organizing Committee brought greetings on behalf of the New Delhi YMCA. The President informed that funds raised through the previous Carnival have been well spent on providing free education to the girls at the YMCA Public School, Hodal, Haryana. The YMCA dignitaries assured that New Delhi YMCA would continue to serve the community through its educational institutions with special emphasis on the education of the girl child.

Representatives of the two partner sponsors Nora Solomon Foundation and Muthoot Finance were felicitated during the Inaugural Ceremony. The New Delhi YMCA recognised the wonderful support of these two organizations with gratefulness.

Music, dance, cultural presentations, fun and games kept the visitors enthralled throughout the day. The students of YMCA Public School, YMCA Education Centre, and Department of Social Human Development kept the atmosphere lively with their colourful and energetic dances, songs and skits. The children of YMCA Public School taking part for the first time at the Carnival lifted the spirits of the audience with their Vandana Dance at the Inauguration. With more than 30 presentations the day was worth spending at the Carnival for one and all.

Almost 90 stalls offered a variety of products from handicrafts, jewellery, and clothing to mouth-watering food items. More than 4,000 people kept the stall holders busy from 11 am to 7:00 pm. Another attraction was the swings and rides section which saw the young and old enjoying the rides.

The icing on the cake was the Fashion Show organized by the New Delhi YMCA Institute for Fashion Technology and Design. The students surprised everyone with their creativity and imagination. The five design sequences were received with loud cheers. Mr Dinesh Murmu, DIG, BSF graced the Fashion Show and Closing Ceremony as the Chief Guest.

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The Carnival closed with the much-awaited Raffle Draw. The YMCA dignitaries drew raffle tickets one by one making a few thrilled with their prizes while many others left with the hope to try their luck at the next Carnival.

The Carnival was indeed a resounding success and the credit of the success must be shared by the NDY Board of Directors, Carnival Organizing Committee members, Staff, students, and many well-wishers.

We thank God Almighty for His grace and blessing upon the New Delhi YMCA as the Carnival will go down as one of the most memorable ones.



NEW DELHI YMCA Carnival 2024



HPDP Annual Convocation for the academic session 2022-23 was held on 20th January 2024, at the Front Lawns of New Delhi YMCA Tourist Hostel.

The Chief Guest at the Convocation was Mr Sunil Misra, Principal Advisor, Confederation of Indian Industry. Also gracing the dais with their presence were Mr J A Benjamin, President, New Delhi YMCA; Mr. Nikhil Banerjee, Chairman IOM & IFTD; Dr. Damor R Jalabhai, Chairman, IMS; Mr. Aditya R Datt, Chairman, IMSIT; Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO, New Delhi YMCA; Mr. Noel Phillips, Associate GS HPDP; Mrs. Meenakshi Gupta, Executive Director, IOM & IFTD; Mr. Dalip MacCune, Director, IMSIT; and Dr. Vikas Mehra, Director, IMS,

Convocation started with a word of prayer offered by Mr Ashish Clifton, Secretary, PCT & IT. Mr. J.A. Benjamin, President declared the Convocation open. Mr Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO, New Delhi YMCA welcomed the gathering and the dignitaries present. During his Convocation Address, Mr. Sunil Misra, Chief Guest emphasized the need for young professionals to be updated with technology and to focus on discipline and time management, which are prerequisites for a successful and fruitful career.



HPDP Annual Convocation 2024

752 students of 6 Institutes who were found successful and were awarded diplomas by Mr J. A. Benjamin, President, New Delhi YMCA. 184 meritorious students of 6 Institutes were awarded trophies by the Chief Guest and other dignitaries.

The Vote of Thanks was proposed by Mrs Meenakshi Gupta, Executive Director, IOM & IFTD. The Convocation was then declared closed by Mr. J.A. Benjamin, President, New Delhi YMCA.



Department of Christian Emphasis

The New Delhi YMCA, Department of Christian Emphasis organised the Prayer Breakfast Fellowship program on Saturday, 20th January 2024 at 9:00 am in the Heinz Auditorium, YMCA Tourist Hostel, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi.

The meeting began with a prayer offered by Rev. Sunil Ghazan, Vice-Chairman, Department of Christian Emphasis.

It was followed by the congregational Hymn "Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound....".

Mr. Noel Phillips, Associate General Secretary, NDY, welcomed everyone present and especially welcomed Rev. Mrs. Kanika Santram, Lal Bagh English Methodist Church, Lucknow.

The Praise and Worship was led by Rev. Harry Dass and Sister Sunita Seth.

The Scripture Portion (Esther 4:1 & 1 Peter 2:9) was read by Mr. Sarthak Joel Tunious, Trainee Secretary, NDY.

The message was shared by Rev. Mrs. Kanika Santram, Lal Bagh English Methodist Church, Lucknow.

The closing Prayer and Benediction were pronounced by Pastor Yakub Masih.

The meeting closed with a Vote of Thanks proposed by Mr Gladwin Lal, Assistant General Secretary, NDY.



The New Delhi YMCA, Department of Christian Emphasis organized the Prayer Breakfast Fellowship program on Saturday, 10th February 2024 at 8:30 am in the Y School of Music Hall, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi.

The meeting began with a prayer offered by Pastor Joel Pram, Chairman, Department of Christian Emphasis.

It was followed by the congregational Hymn "All to Jesus I Surrender.....". Mr. Noel Phillips, Associate General Secretary, NDY, welcomed everyone present and especially welcomed Rev. Ajit Horo, Founder & Senior Pastor Amazing Grace, Delhi.

The Praise and Worship was led by Rev. Ajit Horo and the Special song was presented by Mr. R V Milton.

The Scripture Portion was read by Mr. James Massey, member NDYMCA. The message was shared by Rev. Rev. Ajit Horo, Founder & Senior Pastor, Amazing Grace, Delhi. He emphasized about the Love of Jesus Christ.

The closing Prayer and Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Sunil Ghazan. The meeting closed with a Vote of Thanks by Mr. Gladwin Lal, Assistant General Secretary, NDY.



Rural Community Development Centre, Hodal

The Rural Community Development Centre, Hodal organized the Republic Day Programme on 25th, January 2024. The flag was hoisted by Mr. Gladwin Lal, Assistant General Secretary, NDY. Mr. Ashish Thorat, Associate General Secretary RCDC, gave the Republic Day Greetings to all the staff and teachers who had assembled for the programme.



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The Semester End Examination for D.ED SE IDD First and Second Year were held from 10th January 2024 till 18th January 2024.

The Practical Case presentations by the Teacher Training students were held from 26th to 29th February 2024.



The New Delhi YMCA, Department of Social and Human Development celebrated the 77th Republic Day Programme at all 5 Community Development Centers with the Students, Staff, and Community people. On the first day 23rd January 2024 at CDC Daya Basti & Savda Ghevra, and on the Second day 24th January 2024 at Sunlight Colony, CDC Kalyanpuri, and CDC Karpoori Thakur respectively. The cultural programme was presented by the children of all Community Development Centers. More than 1000 Children and Staff participated in 2 day long Flag Unfurling Ceremonies. The Tricolor was Unfurled at all 5 CDCs by the Chairman SHD, Committee Members, Guests, MLA, Councilor, and Local leaders.

On 23rd January 2024, CDC Daya Basti & Savda-Ghevra celebrated the Republic Day Programme. Children and Youth of CDC Daya Basti & Savda-Ghevra presented patriotic songs and dances of patriotism. After the Flag Unfurl ceremony, Rev. Vasant Kumar Reuben, Chairman of SHD, addressed and greeted the students, staff, and community people on the Occasion of Republic Day. The programme was graced by the presence of Rev. Vasant Kumar Reuben, Chairman of SHD, NDY, Mr. Somdutt Sharma MLA Sadar Bazar, Mr. Francis Andrade, Mr. James Massey, Ms. Monika Singh Program Officer Department of SHD



On 24th January 2024, the Flag Unfurling Ceremony was held at Kalyanpuri, Sunlight Colony, and Karpoori Thakur SHD Chairman Rev. Vasant Kumar Reuben, did the honor of Unfurling the Tricolour. It was followed by a colorful programme of patriotic dance and song presentation and a Dance Competition by the children of the center. Also present were SHD Committee Members, Mr. Francis Andrade, Vice Chairman SHD, Mr. James Massey, Mr. Albert Gabriel SHD Committee Members, Local MLA Mr. Kuldeep Kumar and Mr. Banti Gautam Councilor, Mr. Vineet Masih, Assistant General Secretary and Ms. Monica Singh, Programme Officer, Department of SHD.

Later on the same day (24th January 2024), the Flag Unfurling Ceremony was held at Sunlight Colony. The same dignitaries who were present at Kalyanpuri Center and SHD Chairman Rev. Vasant Kumar Reuben and Ms. Preeti Councilor Old Seemapuri did the honor of hoisting the Tricolor. At this Center, Children and Youth presented patriotic Songs and Dances. Students from the Computer Section presented a short speech on Republic Day. It was very informative and heart-touching.

Later on the same day (24th January 2024), the Flag Unfurling Ceremony was held at Karpoori Thakur Center. There also Tricolor was Unfurl by the SHD Chairman Rev. Vasant Kumar Reuben and local Leader Mr Sita Ram Kamat. Children and Youth performed in Group Dance & Solo Dance Competitions on Patriotic Numbers.

The presence of so many dignitaries and guests in all the days of celebration was a great source of encouragement and inspiration for the children and staff of the centers.

Sweets were distributed to the children and guests in all the Centers after the programme. Community organizers, Counselors, Field Supervisors, Field & Administrative Workers, Instructors, Visiting Faculties, and all the staff put a tremendous effort into making the programmes successful.



Sports Day

The Department of Social and Human Development organized an Inter CDC Sports Meet on 16th February 2024 at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium. The Participants were children from all five Community Development Centers. The programme was inaugurated by Chief Guest Mr. J.A. Benjamin President of New Delhi YMCA,. The Programme was also graced by the presence of Mr. Alope Michyari Vice President NDY, Rev. Vasant Kumar Reuben –Chairman SHD, along with, Mr. Francis Andrade, Vice Chairman SHD, Dr. Saju Varghese, Mr. Alex Francis Fernandes, Mr, Albert Gabriel ,Mr. James Massey, Member SHD Committee, Mr. Rajeev Singh General Secretary & CEO, Mr. Noel Philips Associate General Secretary, Mr. Aseem Tanejjaa, Head Finance & Account , Mr. John Prakash Head – HR, Mr Feroze Khan Secretary, Mr. Mark Anugrah Biswas Trainee Secretary NDY, Mr. Vineet Masih Assistant General Secretary SHD, NDY & Ms. Monica Singh, Programme Officer, SHD. There were various events organized in the age group of 10 – 14 years and 15 – 18 years for the Girls and Boys categories including Running, Relay Race, Ball Throw, Shot-Put, Long Jump, Three Legged Race, Sack Race, Tug of War, and Lemon Race. There were a total of 510 participants and also 100 staff from all the centers together. The overall Winner's Trophy went to CDC Savda-Ghevra by winning 14 Gold, 12 Silver, and 2 Bronze medals. The programme received high-spirited and enthusiastic participation from children of all the Community Development Centers.



National Youth Day

The Department of Social & Human Development organized a session on the occasion of National Youth Day on 12th January 2024 at Y School of Music. The online Session was facilitated by Ms. Deepali Bhagwate- Sr. Impact Lead- Programs (Citizenship), Idobro Impact Solutions, and the Offline session was conducted by Ms. Parul Kamra- Communications and Outreach Lead, Project Baala. The title of the session was "Together We Thrive: Youth Building Inclusive Communities". It was a super engaging workshop dedicated to fostering a sense of unity and understanding among the youth. Through engaging activities, insightful discussions, and interactive games, participants explored key themes of DEI- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. This session aimed to empower the next generation with the tools and perspectives needed to create and sustain welcoming communities.. 75 Youth & 25 Staff from All CDCs participated in this workshop. After the session youth from all 5 CDCs presented their community mapping and mobility data in front of other participants.



Healthcare Certificate Training
Community Development Centre Savda Ghevra organized Healthcare Certificate Training/Orientation on 20th February 2024 in collaboration with Tech Mahindra Foundation. The purpose of the Programme was Empowering Students about Healthcare Certificate Trainings. The training was conducted by Ms. Anita from Tech Mahindra Foundation.



Signature Campaign on National Girl Child Day

Community Development Centre Savda Ghevra celebrated National Girl Child Day on 24th January 2024, which is observed countrywide with the aim of engaging the nation in creating a positive environment that values the girl child.

Ms. Vandana Ezra Lochan, addressed the session, she emphasized the Government's commitment to the guiding principles through initiatives like "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao" to effect behavioral change in society's attitude towards girl child and inspire a collective effort towards their holistic development.



Free Medical Camp on ENT & General Diagnosis

The New Delhi YMCA, Department of Social and Human Development in collaboration with the Department of Programme organized a Free Medical Camp (ENT and General Diagnosis) at CDC Kalyanpuri on Monday, 29th January 2024 for the Community people.

The Program began with a Prayer offered by Mr. Ashish Clifton Secretary, PCT NDY for the success of the Initiative. Mr. Alope Michyari, Chairman PCT and Rev. Vasant Kumar Reuben, Chairman SHD shared their valuable greetings and good wishes along with some insightful thoughts and expressed their appreciation for the conceptualization of the Programme.

The Programme was also graced by the presence of Mr. Francis Andrade, Vice Chairman SHD Mr. Vineet Masih, Assistant General Secretary, Ms. Monica Singh, Programme Officer, Department of SHD and Mr. Phillip Harold. The Free Medical Camp was highly appreciated by everyone; a total of 145 participants participated in the Medical Camp.

Awareness Generation Programme

Community Development Centre Daya Basti organized an Awareness Generation Program on “Methods of Family Planning with SHG Women on Wednesday, 10th January 2024 from 11:00 AM onwards with the help of Parivar Sewa Sansthan NGO. The Resource person for this programme was Ms. Parmjeet Kaur SMO (Social Market officer) from Stree Clinic Karkadooma Parivar Sewa Sansthan. The objective of the program was to provide information to women about family planning methods and educate them about their role in making family planning successful. A total of 30 Women participated in this programme.

Community Development Centre Kalyanpuri Organized an Awareness Generation Programme on “Menstruation Health and Hygiene & Distribution of Sanitary Pads with Adolescent Girls and Women” on 18th January 2024. The objective of the programme was to increase awareness among Adolescent Girls and Women on Menstruation Health & Hygiene, dealing with myths and misconceptions associated with the Menstruation Cycle and the importance of the use of Sanitary Napkins. The Resource Person was Ms. Jaya from Ekta Shikshan Sansthan and 83 participants participated in the programme.

Community Development Centre Karpoori Thakur organized the Awareness Generation Program on “Consumer Rights” on 20th January 2024 with Youth & women. The objective of the Programme was to make an individual or consumers aware of their rights and responsibilities when purchasing goods and services. Awareness is essential for all customers so that they make the right decisions and make the right choices about the products and services being sold. Resource Person was Advocate Gurvinder Singh from Saket Court. 36 Participants participated in the programme.

Community Development Centre Daya Basti Organized an Awareness Generation Program on “Child Rights” with the Students of Remedial & Coaching classes on Tuesday 13th February 2024 at the Office Campus of MLA Mr Somdutt, Inderlok Delhi. The resource person for this programme was Ms. Suman, Advocate Tis Hazari Court. The objective of the programme was to spread awareness about Child Rights like rights to education, right to protection, right to health etc. and a total of 124 students participated in this programme.

Community Development Centre Karpoori Thakur organized an Awareness Generation Program on “Liver Disease” on 20th February 2024 with Youth. The objective of the Programme was to create awareness of Liver Care, different types of Liver Diseases, Symptoms & Precautions. The resource Person was Mr. Santlal from the Liver Care Foundation. A total of 35 participants took part in the programme.



Medical Camp cum Cancer Screening Camp

The New Delhi YMCA Department of Social and Human Development organized a Free Cervical Cancer Screening Camp at CDC Sunlight Colony on 23rd February 2024 with the help of Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute and Research Centre.(RGCIRC)

The facilities during the camp included PAP Smear Test, Clinical Oral Examination, Clinical Breast Examination, Blood Pressure Monitor, and Random Blood Sugar test.

There were 110 (106 female, 4 male) participants in the camp, and most of them were from the nearby areas of CDC Sunlight Colony, Rajeev Camp, Sonia Camp, Jain Mandir, Kalander Colony, Deepak Colony, Aradhak Nagar, and Jhilmil.

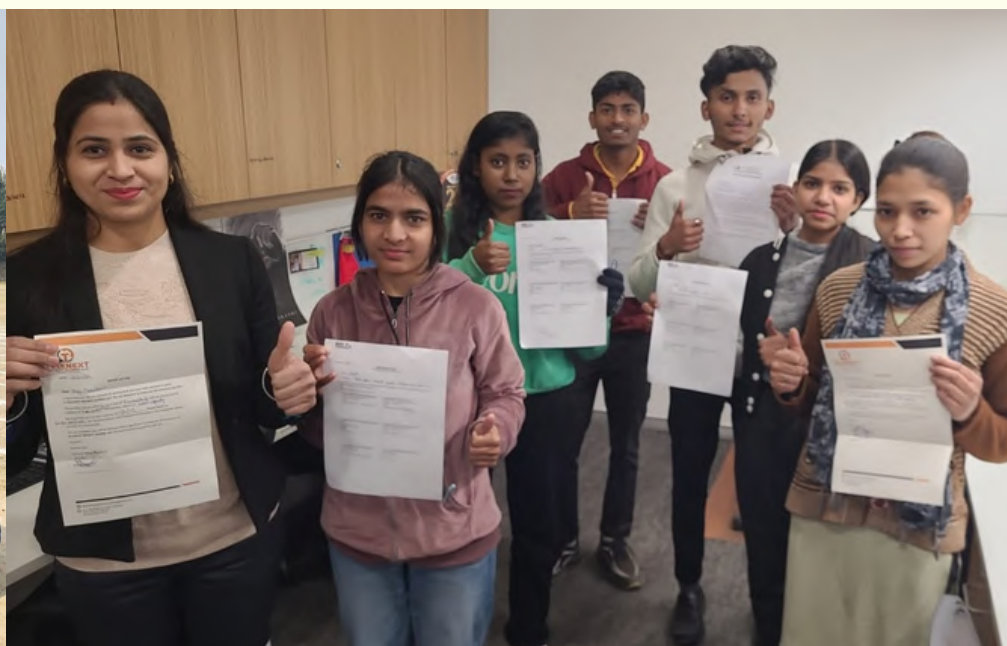
Ms. Monica Singh Programme Officer SHD also visited the camp and took stock of the proceedings. There was a discussion with Mr. Gagandeep from RGCIRC to hold similar camps in the other Community Development Centers of the YMCA. The Free Cervical Cancer Screening Camp was very successful and was highly valued and appreciated by the community women.

Job Fair at NIIT Foundation

CDC Karpoori Thakur participated in the Mega Job Fair organized by NIIT Foundation on 20th January 2024 at NIIT Foundation .11 students participated in the job fair from CDC Karpoori Thakur and 9 were selected by different companies including Shridhar Insurance, SMC Insurance, and Reliance Nippon Pvt Limited.

Inter-agency Sports & Cultural at Jamia Millia Islamia

An Inter-Agency Sports and Cultural Meet was organised by Jamia Millia Islamia University Community Development Centre Karpoori Thakur participated in Jamia Millia Islamia on 11th February 2024 for the first time. 12 Students participated in the Cultural Programme, Sports, and Best out of Waste Activities. The students won the second position in the best out-of-waste competition. Students gained confidence and participated in the meet enabled them to interact with other children of the various NGOs and Community



New Delhi YMCA Silver Jubilee Invitational Inter College Basketball Tournament.

The New Delhi YMCA, Department of Sports organized the Silver Jubilee YMCA Invitational Inter College Basketball Tournament from 20th to 24th January 2024 at the Basketball Court, New Delhi YMCA, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi.

26 teams registered for the Tournament. A total of 16 Men's teams and 10 Women's teams participated this year. All the matches were played on a knock-out basis. The matches were played in a very high competitive spirit and with true sportsmanship by all the players.

Mr. J. A. Benjamin, President, New Delhi YMCA was the Chief Guest for the Inaugural Ceremony, he also gave his greetings to the teams and declared the Tournament open.

Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO welcomed everyone present and gave his greetings.

Mr. R. Sunny Joshua, Chairman Sports Committee addressed the teams and wished all the team the best for the Tournament. The Members of the Board of Directors and NDY Members were also present to grace the occasion.

The results of the tournament in Men's Section:

Winner: Kirorimal College

Runner's-up: Hansraj College

Third Position: Sri Ram College of Commerce (SRCC)

The results of the tournament in the Women's Section:

Winners: Miranda House College

Runner's-up: Jesus & Merry College

Third Position: Gargi College

The Winning Trophy and Cash prize of Rs. 15,000/- were awarded to the Winners, Rs. 10,000/- to the Runner-up, and Rs. 7,000/- to the 3rd position. Certificates were also given to the teams by the dignitaries.

The best player in the Girls' category was given to Ms. Vrinda of Miranda House and in the Boys' category, the award was given to Mr. Robby Pandey of Kirorimal College (KMC). A Cash prize of Rs. 2100/- and a Trophy was presented to both winners.

The Chief Guest at the Closing Ceremony & Prize Distribution Ceremony was Mr. Mukesh Kalia, President, Delhi Basketball Association, besides the Chief Guest other guests included the Members of the Board of Directors, NDY, and Mr. Mohit Bhandari, Former National Coach, Basketball Team of India were also present to grace the occasion.



The New Delhi YMCA Inter Department Cricket Tournament

The New Delhi YMCA Department of Sports organized "The New Delhi YMCA Inter Department Cricket Tournament" from 19th to 24th February 2024.

Ten teams from various departments including 2 Teams from the Tourist Hostel, HPDP, and Department of Finance participated in the Tournament. The matches were played on a League & Knock out basis. The Teams were divided into two Groups:

Group A	Group B
Department of Finance – A	Corporate
Tourist Hostel – B	YMCA Nizamuddin
Department of Sports	HPDP – A
HPDP – B	Department of Finance – B
Programmes	Tourist Hostel - A

The Department of Finance A team won the Final Match and was awarded the Winners Trophy and the Tourist Hostel A team was given the Runners-Up Trophy. Man of the Tournament Trophy was presented to Mr. Victor Vischer of the Department of Finance Team A.

This time as suggested by our General Secretary & CEO, Mr. Rajeev Singh, it was mandatory for all the teams to include two female players in their team, and a trophy for Best Female Player was given to Ms. Ifra Khan of YMCA Nizamuddin.

All the 6 days the enthusiasm and the morale of all the teams was very high. The excitement among the players and the staff of all the Departments was commendable.



New Delhi YMCA Department of Sports organized the XXIII YMCA Invitational Volleyball Tournament from 26th to 29th February 2024. There were 24 teams from different Colleges in Delhi. 12 in the Men's category and 12 in the Women's category.

The Inaugural Ceremony held on 26th February 2024 at 5.30 pm. The program began with a prayer offered by Mr. Gladwin Lal, Assistant General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA. Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO welcomed everyone present,

Mr. Sunny Joshua, Chairman Sports Committee gave his Greetings and wished all the best for the Tournament.

Mr. J A Benjamin, President, New Delhi YMCA gave his greetings to all the teams and declared the Tournament open. Mr. Kulbeer Singh Gehlot, Former General Secretary of the Delhi Volleyball Association also gave his Greetings to the teams.

Men's Category

Winner: Atharva Volleyball Academy

Runner's-up: Aaryan Club

Third Position: Late Pran Nath Club

Women's Category

Winners: Jaunti Academy

Runner's-up: Uttrakhand Sports Academy

Third Position: New Delhi YMCA

The Closing & Prize Distribution Ceremony took place on Saturday, 29th February 2024, at 4:00 pm. Mr. Kuldeep Vats, President Delhi Olympic Association was the Chief Guest. He gave a wonderful speech and also closed the Meet.

Trophies for First Position along with cash prizes Rs.15,000/-, Second Position Rs. 10,000/- & Third Position Rs.7,000/- were given to the winning Teams in both Men and Women categories.

The best players in the Women's Category was Ms. Mariya from the Jaunti Academy team and Mr. Abhishek from Aaryan Club in the Men's category. A Special prize of Rs. 2100/- was given to both the Players.

Mr. R. Sunny Joshua, Chairman Sports Committee, Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO of New Delhi YMCA, Mr. Girish Verghese, Mr. Alope Michyari, Vice Presidents, New Delhi YMCA, Mr. Sumit Gupta and Mr. Peter Prem Board Members, New Delhi YMCA, were also present to grace the occasion.

The Vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Hemant Agarwal, Assistant General Secretary, Sports.



PCTC TRIBAL FESTIVAL 2024

The New Delhi YMCA 31 Tribal Festival started with captivating energy, full of enthusiasm and joyfulness on 04 February 2024. The New Delhi YMCA premises came alive with groups of indigenous people dressed in their traditional attire dancing and singing, sharing smiles, and encouraging those who were mere spectators to join them in celebrating life and culture. The crowd danced and moved along with the traditional music as the Chief Guest and the dignitaries walked toward the program venue. The program started with a prayer song and the traditional ceremony of lighting the lamp. With the sound of traditional drums in sync with rhythmic voices, and folk dances with hands held together, the leaders and the members of the tribal community welcomed the Chief Guest and other dignitaries. A momentous day that has its roots in the New Delhi YMCA history, a day when the New Delhi YMCA comes together with the tribal communities residing in Delhi-NCR to celebrate and showcase their rich cultural heritage which most of the city dwellers may not be aware of. This year, 23 tribal groups participated in the day-long celebration. It started with a traditional welcome of the Guest of Honours Mr Dinesh Murmu, DIG BSF; Ms Sulata Deo, Hon'bl Member of Parliament; and the President of the New Delhi YMCA Mr J. A. Benjamin along with Mr. Alope Michyari, Chairman, PCT, Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO, NDY and, Board Members of NDY and other dignitaries. There were 45 stalls which included Tribal Delicacies, Handicrafts, and other Tribal Commodities. Tribal Fashion Show was a grand success and it displayed the vivid and diverse colourful cultures of the various tribal communities. Jorgos Band enthralled the gathering with lively tribal music during their live performances. Mr. Alope Michyari, Chairman, PCT Committee presented a heartwarming poem that was highly appreciated and applauded by everyone. There was a special song presentation by the Delhi Nepali Christian Fellowship (DNCF). More than 2000 people attended the tribal festival.





National Board Meeting- National Council of YMCAs of India



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The New Delhi YMCA hosted the National Board Meeting of the National Council of YMCAs of India from 26 to 27 February 24.

On 26 February 24 the Board of Directors, New Delhi YMCA organized a Fellowship Dinner for the members of the National Executive Committee of the National Council of YMCAs at the YMCA Swimming Pool area. The evening started with a prayer offered by Rev Vasant Reuben, Member of the NDY Board. Mr Joseph Anil Benjamin, President, New Delhi YMCA welcomed the gathering. The following Office Bearers of the National Council of YMCAs of India were felicitated by Mr J. A. Benjamin, President, New Delhi YMCA, and Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO, New Delhi YMCA:

- 1. Mr. Vincent George, President**
- 2. Mr. Noel C. Amanna, Vice-President**
- 3. Dr. Betsy M. Williams, Vice- President**
- 4. Ms. Mahima T. Agrawal, Vice-President, NCYI**
- 5. Mr. Regi George, Treasurer**
- 5. Mr. G. Sundersingh Barnabas, National General Secretary-in-charge**

In response Mr Vincent George, President, National Council of YMCAs of India presented a token of appreciation to Mr J. A. Benjamin, President, New Delhi YMCA, and Mr Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO, New Delhi YMCA.

The National Board Meeting was conducted the next day in the Heinz Auditorium, YMCA Tourist Hostel which was attended by over 180 delegates from YMCAs across India. During the meeting, the National Board appointed Mr Eldo N. V. as the National General Secretary of the National Council of YMCAs of India.

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