

“AAKANKSHA”

Lions School for Mentally Handicapped Raipur (C.G.)

Annual report 2011-2012

“Aakanksha”, Run by Lions Club Sewa Samiti (Regn. No. 905 dt. 17/12/1991) started on 2nd October 1994, as a special school for mentally challenged. Presently there are **19** Special Educators catering to **229** Special children (including **97** children at Special School, **61** students in its rural centres, Dharsiva block, **32** in Sense International India- project for the Deafblind, Abhanpur, **13** students in its residential setup, “Samarth” and **26** in our OPD) covering all types of disabilities which include Cerebral Palsy, Autism, Deafblindness, Multiple disabilities etc .

Objectives:

1. Children with special needs and persons with mental retardation are enhanced to self dependence through the application of special education and behavior modification principles.
2. Aakanksha provides need based intervention and training to the person with disabilities by reaching to the unreached.
3. The main objective of training and development of human resource is to prepare the special trainee teachers to train the persons with mental retardation, in individual and group settings.

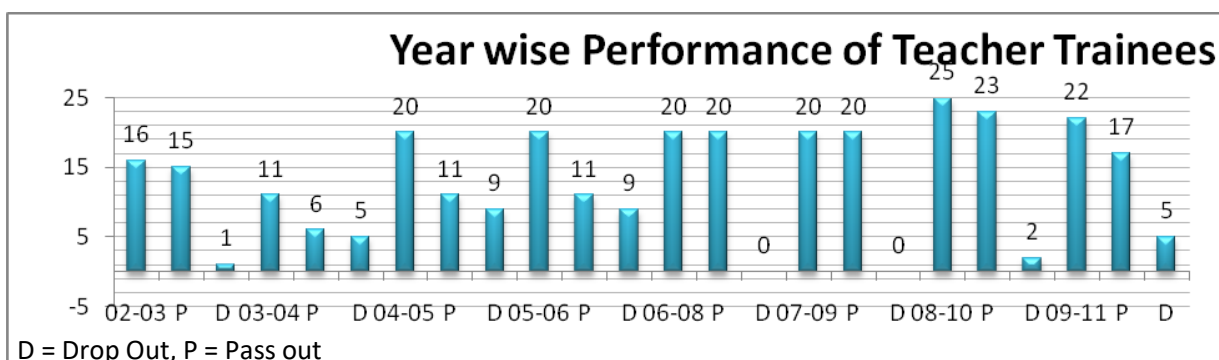
The activities of the school in brief includes :-

- (I) Human Resource Development through our training programmes:
- (II) Special School / Day Care Centre
- (III) Home Based Intervention Services for persons with Deafblindness,
- (IV) ‘SAMARTH’ Centre based Residential Services scheme (CBS)
- (V) State Nodal Agency Centre (SNAC) in Chhattisgarh for National Trust.
- (VI) Centre Based Rural Intervention Programme in Dharsiwa Block.
- (VII) OPD Services

(I) Human Resource Development through our training programmes:

Aakanksha, through its Human Resource Development programmes is giving various trainings to develop professionals to work with children/ persons with special needs as given under:

I D.ED.SE(MR), recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India and affiliated to IGNOU, New Delhi. **14** and **25** students are enrolled for the session 2010-2012 and 2011-13 respectively. Starting from the year 2001, the number of passed out students are **121** (till 2010-11).



2.FC-SEDE, affiliated to Rehabilitation Council of India. Till date **318** professionals from **8** batches have been trained till March 2012. 40 candidates each have been enrolled for the batch April-June and July-September 2012 batch.

3. SAHYOGI Caregivers Training and Development Scheme funded by National Trust, New Delhi . **71** Caregivers have been trained till 1 March 2012 from 3 batches.

4.Continuing Rehabilitation Education (CRE)

5,Parental Training and guidance.

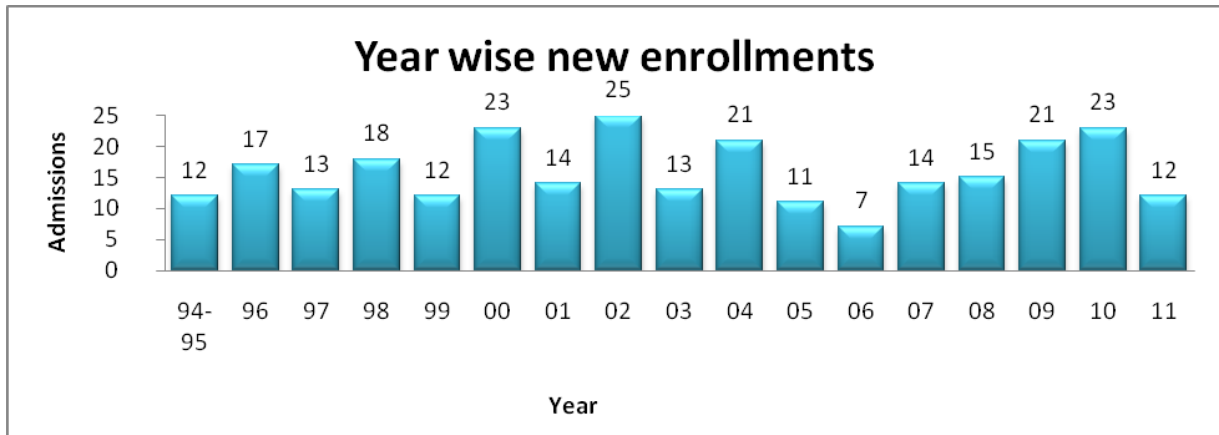
6.Courses for other professionals (Viz. Normal school teachers, Mobile Resource Advisors of Rajiv Gandhi Shiksha Mission, Anganwadi workers, professionals from other institutes etc.)

(II) Special School / Day Care Centre

Presently **97** children are availing the following services:

1. Special Education
2. Therapeutic services (Speech therapy, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, sensory Stimulation for multiple handicapped)
3. Psychological services (IQ assessment, Behaviour Modification, Remedial teaching for slow learners etc.)

4. Pre-vocational and vocational training- Children are being trained in making of Diyas and paper bags in this section.



(III) Home Based Intervention Services for persons with Deafblindness, a project funded by SENSE International India, Ahmedabad.

In the above mentioned outreach programme for rural children, a total of **32** beneficiaries out of which, **21** from Abhanpur, **8** in Raipur and **3** from Mandirhasaud and adults are being given home base intervention services in this project.

(IV) 'SAMARTH' Centre based Residential Services scheme (CBS)

13 inmates are benefitted in this scheme which is partially funded by National Trust, New Delhi

(V) State Nodal Agency Centre (SNAC) in Chhattisgarh for National Trust.

Under this programme "SAHYOGI Caregivers Training" is undertaken which is funded by National Trust, New Delhi

Till date **71** Caregivers have been trained till March 2012.

(VI) Centre Based Rural Intervention Programme in Dharsiwa Block.

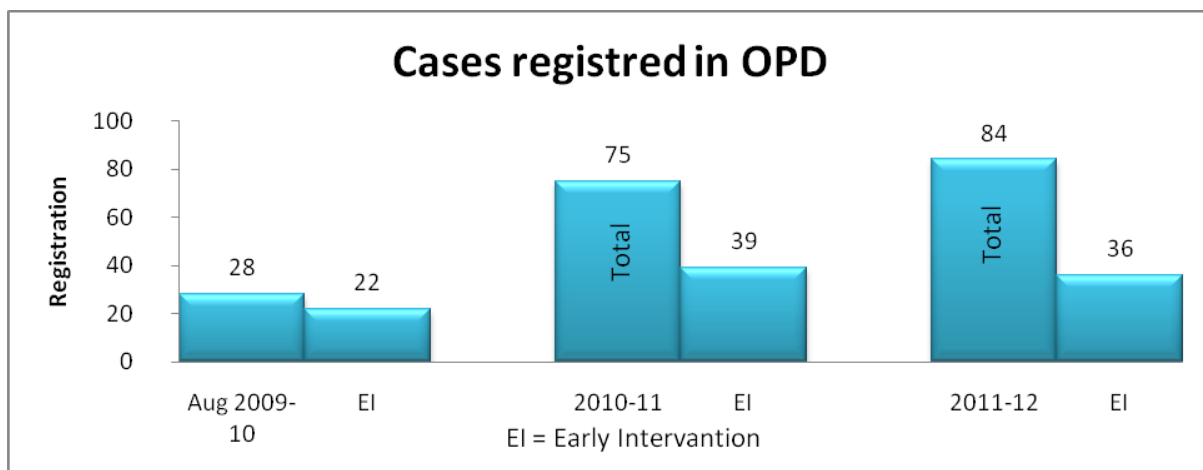
61 children in Dharsiwa block through **3** centres in Urla, Bhanpuri and Dharsiwa are being given need based services. Presently this project is being funded by **Paul Hamlyn Foundation** (since October 2011)

S. No	Name of Centre	No. Of Beneficiaries		Total
		0 – 6 yrs	6 – above	
1	Urla	5	21	26
2	Dharsiwa	8	15	23
3	Bhanpuri	1	11	12
	Total	14	47	61

(VII) OPD services

The services in this section include:

1. Various therapeutic services (Physiotherapy, speech therapy etc)
2. Various psychological services
3. Remedial teaching for slow learners, Learning Disabled and Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder etc.



The month wise activities of the school for the said period are as given below:

MAY 2011

5th May 2011- Amway “Sunrise” Foundation celebrated their foundation day in India. It was attended by officials of Amway, students and staff of Aakanksha LSMH, Raipur.

They donated an amount of Rs.one lakh thirty thousand for the welfare of the special children. They have selected “Aakanksha” as their “Sunrise” partner.



JULY 2011

July 3rd 2011 – Mr.Anupam Kher, Bollywood star visited “Aakanksha” to interact with the students of ‘Aakanksha’. It was attended by Lion Members. Hira group of Industries members, staff and students of Aakanksha with their family members.



AUGUST

27th Aug 2011– SNAC – SNAP meeting with 12 Registered NGOs of Chhattisgarh was conducted. Discussions were held regarding organizing the Programme “Badte Kadam” of National Trust, New Delhi.



SEPTEMBER



5th Sept. 2011 – Teacher's Day Celebrations. All teachers of Institute were honoured by Diploma Students of Institute. They organized some cultural programmes to celebrate Teachers day.

16th Sept- 2011 – Punjabi Women Welfare and Cultural Society Raipur celebrated Tree Plantation Day with students of Aakanksha. They planted 15 saplings in our premises.



23rd Sept 2011 - Singhnia group of industries organized “Wishing Well”, a charity programme which gave Aakanksha students where vocational items were displayed for sale and students of Aakanksha presented cultural programme.



OCTOBER

20th Oct- 2011 – Exhibition cum sale of vocational items like Diwali Diyas, cards, paintings made by students of Aakanksha were Displayed in Aakanksha Hall. Exhibition was inaugurated by Mrs. Choubey, wife of Late Ravindra Choubey.



31st Oct – Amway programme Donated Drinking water cooler cum purifier which was installed in Day Care School section.

NOVEMBER

2nd Nov – 2011 – Flag off of “Badte Kadam” programme by Honorable Minister Ms. Lata Usendi, Minister for Women and child welfare, Government of Chhattisgarh.



Purpose of this programme was to sensitize community regarding four disabilities, Mental Retardation, Cerebral Palsy, Autism and Multiple Disabilities and to create awareness regarding various schemes run by the National Trust

Aakanksha, State Nodal Agency Centre(SNAC),organized 8 melas all over Chhattisgarh with State Nodal Agency Partner(SNAP) co-relating with the Chhattisgarh State celebration week

29th – 30th- Nov-2011- Social welfare Department Organized Sports and cultural programme for all children with special need in every district, in which our students actively participated in sports and cultural programme in which one student secured first prize and four others secured prizes in various sports events.



DECEMBER

3rd Dec-2011- Selected students from District level participated in State level programme held on “World Disability Day” and bagged many prizes.

8th Dec-2011-Sports were organized in our Institute on the occasion of “Mental Retardation Day”.



15th Dec-2011-Amway “Sunrise” Foundation conducted Medical check up for students of Aakanksha where child specialist, Dentist, psychologist, general practitioner were present for medical check-up of our students.



22nd Dec-2011- Our Sense International India project organized picnic for benefeciaries and their families in Nandanvan, Raipur.



JANUARY

16th Jan 2012- Under CSR, Canara Bank donated Television set to our Institute.

28th Jan 2012-Identification cum Awareness camp along with formal inauguration of Rural Centre at Dharsiwa

FEBRUARY

10th Feb 2012-Identification cum Awareness camp was held at Devri

17th Feb 2012- Identification cum Awareness camp held at Bhanpuri



Details of Awareness camp

S. No	Date	Place of Camp	No. Of Beneficiaries
1	28 th Jan 2012	Dharsiwa	22
2	10 th Feb 2012	Devri	19
3	18 th Feb 2012	Bhanpuri	14
		Total	55

MARCH

1st March 2012 – Our Institute was honoured with ISO – 9000 – 2008 certificate from Bureau Veritas

13th March 2012 – Amway conducted interaction programme with students of normal school by organizing Drawing and Painting Competition in our Institute with our special children.