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# NDY TODAY

*Beauty from Brokenness*



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**FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

Dear Members,

Greetings!

Last fortnight has been a special one while the Mission and other operations of New Delhi YMCA are more or less gaining momentum and giving hopes that the 2nd half of the financial year will give us better results, YMCA and YWCA came together to pray for both the movements and their Mission.

The week, 7 - 13 November was observed as YMCA-YWCA week of prayer, once again bringing YW-YM leadership together spending time in Prayer. The theme "Beauty from Brokenness" was divided into six sub-themes for leadership of YMCA and YWCA to reflect upon. YM and YW spent time thanking the Lord through prayers for knowing us and being there always. The main focus was Psalm 139:1 "Oh Lord, you have examined my heart and know everything about me" which reminds us that God knows all we do, all we feel, and all we think, the good and the bad, and God loves us unconditionally.

The NDY being a hub of activities celebrated children's day "Remembering Nehru" on the birth anniversary of the 1st Prime Minister of India on 13th & 14th November at YMCA Public School, Hodal, and YMCA Public School, Nizamuddin East respectively. It provided an opportunity for school children to revisit Nehru's special contributions towards children's education and welfare. In the following pages of this edition, you will find some reports on other very meaningful programs and activities.

NDY is definitely looking up, keep it in prayers.

Mark Clive

"Dear Friends and Members of the NDY,

Greetings in His Precious Name!

Now as we finally prepare to restart the last remaining activity of our education sector in physical mode, it would be a full circle since we closed all physical activities last March. In all these times, we at NDY not only sustained ourselves but managed to resume those activities at the earliest.

Last week we observed the World YMCA/ YWCA Week of Prayers and Fellowship. The theme was 'Beauty from Brokenness', an apt theme for these difficult times.

As we fully come back to business, with all the safety and precautions, it is time to look beyond. It is time to once again focus on fulfilling the mission and vision of our organization.

During the past months, we have shared a lot about what we have done so far, especially during these difficult times, and patted enough on our backs. Let's now discuss what we have not done so far or what more needs to be done in the future.

Let's dedicate our efforts to serving the community, the society, and the Nation.

Looking forward to your Prayers and cooperation.

Regards and God bless!

Jovial Vaghela







# Youth Assembly of North India Region of YMCAs



The Regional Youth Assembly of the North India Region of YMCAs was held from 5th to 7th November 2021. 15 delegates from YMCAs of Faridpur, Ambala, Meerut and New Delhi participated in this event, hosted by the YMCA Youth Centre, Bhimtal.

On 5 November 21, the assembly commenced with a devotion led by Rev Pradeep Kumar, Pastor, Redemption Ministries followed by the inaugural function. Mr Stephen DaCosta, Chairman, North India Region of YMCAs welcomed all present. The chief guest Mr. Mark Medley, Principal, St. Andrews Public School delivered the keynote address motivating the young delegates to make the right choices in life.

The 1st session was conducted by Mr. Koshy Alexander Vaidyan, Youth Work Secretary, NCYI on "Today's Youth in the YMCA" with a brief history of pioneering leaders of the YMCA movement and how young people can be involved in the YMCA. This was followed by the second session by Mr. Bhen Samson on the subject "What is the YMCA" where he explained to the young participants what and who makes up the YMCA.

The second day started with a devotion conducted by the delegates after which a short trek to YMCA Satal Campsite was organised where the young people enjoyed the trek through the woods and lake to the campsite. The New Delhi YMCA Campsite served welcome tea and soft drinks which were refreshing after the trek. The 3rd session was on "Leadership" by Mr. Noel Phillips, Assistant General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA, at the YMCA Lakeview Inn, Satal. He spoke on the qualities and characteristics of a leader with Jesus Christ as the best role model. This was followed by the 4th session by Mr. Vijay Russell, Executive Member, NCYI on "Created to do Good Works" based on the Bible verse Ephesians 2:10. It was an interactive session provoking the thoughts of the youth to do good works in their communities.

On Sunday, the assembly started with a devotion followed by a plenary session. At the plenary, the recommendations of the Youth Assembly were brought before the house to have more training programs for the youths so that they understand the YMCA better.





# Childrens Day Celebration at Y Public School Nizamuddin



YMCA Public School celebrated Children's Day, online on November 14, 2021, with various cultural activities. The online celebration started at 10 am with the YPS Prayer Song. Mr. Jovial Vaghela, President, Mr. Mark Clive, General Secretary & CEO, Mr. Feroze Khan, Secretary of New Delhi YMCA, Fr. Rajeev Thomas, The Principal of YMCA Public School Nizamuddin, delivered the Children's Day greetings, messages and wishes to the students and participants.

The cultural programme was coloured with the welcome dance of the teachers of YPS, dances, speeches and songs of students of different classes including the Special Wing Students.

The programme concluded with a beautiful video presentation of Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru highlighting his immense contribution towards the celebration of this auspicious day.





# Celebrating Bal Divas at RCDC Hodal



New Delhi YMCA, Rural Community Development Centre organized Bal Divas at Hodal YMCA on 13th, November 2021. Seven Schools (G.P.S Bhulwana, G.P.S Hodal, H.G.M Public School, H.G.M Gurukulam School, Modish Public School, Shree Tyagi Modern Public School, D.V.M Public School ) participated for the events like Races of 100 meters, 200 meters, 400 meters Relay, Long jump, Adventure camp, Burma Bridge, Flying Fox, River Crossing and various other educational games. Children participated in large numbers and performed in various events that took place across the vast expanse of YMCA Public School Hodal. Present on this joyous occasion were Mr. Sumit Gupta, Chairmen RCDC, Hodal , Mr. Sunil, Member of RCDC Hodal, Secretary Mr. Feroze Khan, Gokul Sarpanch, Chandra Van (MD -HGM Gurukulam ), and Mr. Monoj - CRC head. The children presented variety of cultural programs on the occasion of Bal Divas and everyone enjoyed the celebrations and activities



# Progressive Social Welfare by NDY SHD



SHD has restarted its activities in all 5 CDCs. It's good to see the children, youth, and women coming back to the YMCA Community Development Centres. The whole of humankind has gone through very difficult times and are trying to come out of the brokenness caused by the Pandemic. We as a YMCA family are trying to contribute in various ways to bring back the normalcy of our lives. In an effort to do so, we are doing lots of counselling sessions and also distributing Safety Kits and Dry Rations to help the people in the community to rebuild their confidence and strength.

The distribution of the Ration Packets was organized for the underprivileged people like families of the children associated with the Community Development Centres, old and ailing people, families affected with COVID-19, women-headed families etc. Through the distribution of these packets, SHD is trying to reach people with the objective; to make people aware about Protection and Prevention from COVID-19 Virus, to spread awareness about regular use of Face Masks, Sanitization and Washing of Hands at regular intervals, and to tell them about Importance of Vaccine & motivate them to go for Vaccination.

The Community Development Centre Kalyanpuri organised an AGP on "Menstruation Health and Hygiene with Adolescent Girls" on 01st November 2021. The objective of the program was to increase awareness among Adolescent Girls and Women on Menstruation Hygiene and educate the Adolescent Girls about the myths and misconceptions associated with the Menstruation Cycle and the importance of the use of Sanitary Napkins. The Resource Person was Ms. Shanti, Educationist from Parivar Sewa Sansthan.

The Community Development Centre Karpoori Thakur organized an AGP on "Protection from Dengue and Malaria" on 02nd November 2021. The objective of the programme was to aware people that these diseases spread through Mosquitoes breeding. Also to discuss prevention of the spread of mosquitoes, maintain proper hygiene and control the symptoms and precautions of Dengue and Malaria.' The session was conducted by Mr. Anup Kumar Verma, Field Supervisor, CDC Karpoori Thakur. Women from the community were the primary beneficiaries.

The Community Development Centre Savda-Ghevra organized an AGP on "Hazards of Pollution during Festival" with students of the Remedial class on 08th November 2021. The objective of the program was to create awareness of the need for pollution control and the health hazards of pollution in the environment. It was also discussed, how we could avoid a few of the reasons behind the spreading of pollution. Mr. Prabhat, Visiting Faculty, CDC Savda-Ghevra spoke to young students, who participated in the programme.

The Community Development Centre Savda-Ghevra organised an AGP on the "Gadget Addiction during Covid -19" with students of computer class on 10th November 2021. The objective of the program was to spread awareness about the appropriate use of electronic gadgets and social media and protect the students from the bad effects of gadgets. The session was conducted by Mr. Sandeep Kumar Visiting Faculty, CDC Savda-Ghevra. 16 youth participated in the programme.





# World YWCA & YMCA Week of Prayer and World Fellowship



The New Delhi YMCA along with the National Council of YMCA of India, YWCA of Delhi and YWCA of India observed the World YWCA / YMCA Week of Prayer and World Fellowship from 7th to 13th November 2021.

A joint Inaugural Worship was organised on 7th November 2021 at the Centenary Methodist Church, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. The service began with call to worship by Rev. Varinder Kumar, Pastor in charge Centenary Methodist Church. Mr. Jovial Vaghela, the President of the New Delhi YMCA gave his greetings and also shared the message from the President of World YMCA. Dr. Ms. Shakuntala David, the Church President of the YWCA of India also gave her greetings and shared the message from the President of World YWCA. The Sermon was shared by Mr. Mark Clive, the General Secretary & CEO of the New Delhi YMCA. The theme for this year Programme was "Beauty in Brokenness". The Praise & Worship was led by the Church youth and also the Secretaries of YMCA Delhi and National Council of YMCAs of India. Mr. Sunder Singh, Secretary, NCY, shared the history and significance of the "Week of Prayer" and Ms. Kavita Nathan, President, YWCA of Delhi, read the Scripture for the day.



# World YMCA & YWCA Week of Prayer and World Fellowship



The Seventh day of the World YMCA/YWCA Week of Prayer Meeting was organised by the New Delhi YMCA at the Heinz Auditorium, YMCA Tourist Hostel. The theme for the last day of the Prayer was 'Beauty is Renewal'. The Programme began with a Word of Prayer offered by Ms. Sapna Bharadwaj.

Mr. Mark Clive, General Secretary & CEO, New Delhi YMCA, welcomed the gathering. Mr. Jovial Vaghela, President, New Delhi YMCA and Mr. Inderjit Lal, Chairman, Christian Emphasis Committee, gave their Greetings.

Rev. Timothy Shaw, Presbyter In-charge, Free Church, Parliament Street, was the Guest Speaker. The YMCA Staff Choir led the congregation in praise and worship. A Special Song was presented by Mr. R V Milton, System Officer, New Delhi YMCA. A Special Prayer for the whole YMCA Movement was offered by Mr. Vineet Masih, Senior Secretary New Delhi YMCA. A Special Prayer for Healing was offered by Mr. Vincent Jacob, Maintenance Officer, New Delhi YMCA Tourist Hostel, and a Special Thanksgiving Prayer was offered by Mr. Noel Phillips, Assistant General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA.

The Vote of Thanks was presented by Mr. Hemant Agarwal, Assistant General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA. The Closing Prayer and Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Timothy Shaw.

The Programme was followed by Fellowship Tea & Refreshments.







## निराश ना हो

हुई सफल नहीं अब तक ज़िन्दगी -  
कोई बात नहीं।  
कि सुबह ना हो जिसकी कभी;  
कोई ऐसी रात नहीं ।।  
इसलिए मुसकुराओ सदा - और उदास ना हो।  
और अपने जीवन में कभी - निराश ना हो ।।

मंजिलें और भी हैं - यहां से अभी;  
कई सुनहरे ठौर भी हैं - यहां से अभी।  
इसलिए गुनगुनाओ सदा - और हताश ना हो।  
और अपने जीवन में कभी - निराश ना हो ।।

आयेगी नाकामयाबी भी; कामयाबी के संग में।  
कि गिरते हैं शहसवार ही; मैदाने जंग में।  
किसी भी मुसीबत में कभी; बदहवास ना हो।  
और अपने जीवन में कभी - निराश ना हो ।।

It is a matter of great pride for the New Delhi YMCA that Vice President Mr. Alope Michyari's book, a compilation of poems "Bhanwar Bhavnao Ka" (Waves of Emotions) was released on 06 November 2021 at Heinz Auditorium, New Delhi YMCA in the presence of Elite Dignitaries, friends & family of Mr. Michyari and NDY Staff & Executives.

Almost all of the poems composed by Mr. Alope Michyari are inspired by real-life instances, seen and experienced personally, over a period of time. The collection of Poems have been scripted in wonderfully simple language and speaks very strongly, emotionally & sensitively about his feelings of pleasure and pain. The poems are prompted by certain specific and special incidents in his personal journey of life as well as the influences of social, natural, political & environmental scenarios and factors of society. Overall, the book is comprehensively articulative & quite an absorbing experience.

## Resource Mobilization, Financial Management and Sustainability

Mr. Mark Clive, General Secretary & CEO, NDY, was the resource person to a National Council YMCA's organized workshop on Resource Mobilization, Financial Management, and Sustainability on 30 October 2021. About 30 participants attended this initiative including Regional Secretaries and Executive Staff of the National Council of YMCA's of India

## Did You Know?



**Major Dhyan Chand coached the Delhi Women's hockey team at the New Delhi YMCA grounds.**

Major Dhyan Chand (29 August 1905 – 3 December 1979) was an Indian field hockey player widely regarded as the greatest field hockey player in history and one of the greatest players of all time according to Britannica Encyclopaedia. He was known for his extraordinary ball control and goal-scoring feats, in addition to earning three Olympic gold medals, in 1928, 1932, and 1936, during an era where India dominated field hockey. His influence extended beyond these victories, as India won the field hockey event in seven out of eight Olympics from 1928 to 1964.