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

"Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." - Romans 12:9-10

Dear Members of the New Delhi YMCA,

The values of Christian life are rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ and the principles found in the Bible. Central to these values is love, which encompasses love for God and love for others. This love is expressed through compassion, kindness, and forgiveness, encouraging us to treat others with respect and empathy.

Faith is also a cornerstone, fostering a deep trust in God's plan and guidance. This faith motivates Christians to seek a relationship with God through prayer, worship, and studying scripture. Humility is another key value, reminding believers to serve others selflessly and recognize the importance of community over individualism. This is reflected in the call to help the marginalized and advocate for justice.

Integrity and honesty are emphasized, urging Christians to live authentically and uphold moral standards in all aspects of life. Moreover, the value of hope is integral, offering assurance of God's promises and a future beyond earthly struggles.

Together, these values create a framework for living a life that mirrors the teachings of Christ, promoting harmony, purpose, and a commitment to making the world a better place. Through these values, Christians aim to reflect God's love and grace in their daily lives. During the past two months the New Delhi YMCA organized some important programmes like, Independence Day Celebrations, Aquatic Championship, Cancer Screening Camp, Felicitation Programme of Achievers in Board Examinations are to name some.

The Independence Day celebration at the New Delhi YMCA was a vibrant and joyous occasion, bringing together the members, staff and the community to honor the nation's history and values. The event was organized at all our Community Development Centres under the Department of Social and Human Development, RCDC, Hodal, Haryana, Greater Noida, YMCA Public School, Nizamuddin, Sattal Campsite, Uttara Khand and the Tourist Hostel, New Delhi, with a flag-hoisting ceremony, accompanied by the singing of the national anthem. Patriotic speeches were delivered by New Delhi YMCA representatives, children and the local leaders reflecting on the significance of freedom and unity.

The Aquatic Championship, which was organized by New Delhi YMCA for the Students of Delhi where 75 Schools from Delhi-NCR participated in the event with enthusiasm. The 03 days Championship conducted 125 events with Individual and Group Relay. A total of 861 participation were registered for the Championship in various categories.

As I conclude, let us be ever mindful of the abundant blessings that God has bestowed upon the New Delhi YMCA. His grace has guided us through challenges, strengthened our commitment to serve, and inspired us to be a beacon of hope and unity in our community. May we continue to grow in faith, work together in love, and remain steadfast in our mission to uplift and empower all those who come through our doors. With God's continued blessings, the New Delhi YMCA will undoubtedly flourish in its journey ahead.

God Bless the New Delhi YMCA.

*Rajeew Singh*  
General Secretary & CEO

### 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 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the New Delhi YMCA (NDY) is scheduled for 14th September 2024 at 17:15 hrs. in the Heinz Auditorium, New Delhi YMCA Tourist Hostel-cum-Programme Centre, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi 110001. As a Member-Driven organisation, being Inclusive and Ecumenical in nature, it is our primal responsibility to serve & uphold our Society and Communities, through the numerous facets & functionalities of the New Delhi YMCA. In this regard, I would like to request and encourage all the NDY Members to kindly attend the AGM and contribute their time, experience, expertise, and valuable inputs, as we seek to attain maximum participation and a successful AGM 2024.

Having recently celebrated the Momentous Day of our Nation's Independence; on behalf of the NDY, I would like to wish everyone a very Happy Independence Day as we celebrate 77 years of Freedom, Liberation, and Deliverance. God Bless our Great Nation, India.

As we experience & encounter the final quarter of 2024, it is noteworthy to know that despite the challenges and issues faced during the past months, the New Delhi YMCA is standing strong as a result of the grit and mettle of its Members, Board, Management, Staff, and Well-wishers. The perpetual Grace of our Almighty God is ever-prevalent and ensures that the vision, mission, and essence of our beloved organisation is integral & evolving.

Let's continue to dedicate our efforts to serve the community, the society, and the Nation through your prayers, support, and cooperation.

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

*Regards & God Bless,*

*J A Benjamin*  
President





# YMCA CAMPSITE CUM PROGRAMME CENTRE SATTAL

## Morning of Faith and Fellowship at New Delhi YMCA Campsite cum Programme Centre Sattal



The YMCA Campsite cum Programme Centre Sattal hosted the Prayer Breakfast Fellowship at Dorothy Villa on Saturday, 20 July 2024. The event began at 10:00 a.m. with an inspiring prayer led by Pastor Alok Naskar.

Mr. Mark Anugrah Biswas, Trainee Secretary of New Delhi YMCA, welcomed everyone warmly, followed by heartfelt greetings from Mr. Sagar Emmanuel Paul, Assistant Secretary of NDY. The Praise and Worship session, led by the Haldwani Methodist Church Choir, uplifted spirits with joyous and stirring melodies.

Scripture readings from Psalm 138 were shared by Mr. Bryan Allen Ram in English and Ms. Akshara Singh in Hindi, setting a reflective tone for the morning. Pastor Rajesh Lal from the Methodist Church, Bhowali, delivered a profound message on the importance of trusting and following God's commands. The spiritual ambiance was further enhanced by a special song performed by Shashi Singh.

The Fellowship concluded with a Closing Prayer and Benediction by Rev. Ashutosh Dani from the Methodist Church, Bhowali, Nanital. Mr. Mark Anugrah Biswas expressed gratitude to all attendees in his Vote of Thanks. A group photograph captured the memorable morning, which ended with a delightful Fellowship Breakfast in the dining hall of Dorothy Villa. 33 individuals attended this enriching Prayer Breakfast Fellowship, leaving with renewed faith and a sense of community.

On August, 24th 2024, the YMCA Campsite cum Programme Centre Sattal hosted a Prayer Breakfast Fellowship at Dorothy Villa. The prayer meeting commenced at 10:00 a.m. with an word of prayer led by Bryan Allen Ram, Assistant Housekeeping at New Delhi YMCA.

Mr. Ram warmly welcomed attendees, followed by heartfelt greetings from Mr. Sagar Emmanuel Paul, Assistant Secretary of New Delhi YMCA. The Praise and Worship segment was powerfully performed by the Haldwani Methodist Church Choir. Their soulful melodies stirred the hearts of the congregation, lifting their spirits and inspiring fervent rejoicing for the expansion of His Kingdom.

Ms. Akshara Singh then read a Scripture passage from Romans 8:39 in Hindi, guiding everyone into a moment of deep reflection. This was followed by a profound sermon delivered by Rev. Sameer Massey from the Methodist Church in Haldwani. Rev. Massey's message emphasized the importance of unwavering trust in God and adherence to His commands, leaving a lasting impact on the congregation.

The Fellowship concluded with a closing prayer and benediction by Rev. Massey. In his Vote of Thanks, Mr. Sagar Emanuel Paul expressed sincere gratitude to all who attended. The event was rounded off with a delightful breakfast, providing a final opportunity for camaraderie and connection among those present.

Approximately 21 individuals attended this enriching Prayer Breakfast Fellowship, leaving with renewed faith and a strengthened sense of community. The event offered a meaningful opportunity for spiritual reflection and communal support, fostering an environment where attendees could strengthen their bonds and find inspiration for their personal journeys.





## *YMCA GREATER NOIDA PROGRAMME CENTRE*



YMCA Greater Noida Programme Centre, organized the Prayer Breakfast Fellowship on 27 July 2024 at 9:30AM. The fellowship commenced with an opening prayer by Pas. Rajesh Kumar. Mr. Vineet Masih, Assistant General Secretary, NDY delivered the welcome address who warmly greeted all the attendees. Mr. Vijay Russel, Chairman GNPC extended his greetings and introduced Mr. Harshul Singh, Assistant Secretary, Greater Noida Programme Centre. The Choir of Harvest Mission College led a spiritual session of Praise & Worship. Pastor Prakash Bag read the scripture portion from Deuteronomy 6:4-9 and Rev. Deepak Silas, Pastor incharge, Bethel Methodist Church delivered an inspiring message. The congregation then joined in signing the hymn "Aao Hum Yahova Ka Dhanyawad Kare". Rev. Deepak Silas concluded the program with a closing prayer and Benediction. Mr. Harshul Singh, Assistant Secretary, NDY expressed gratitude with a heartfelt vote of thanks. The fellowship concluded with breakfast, where all members present joined together in a spirit of community and shared faith.

## *NEW DELHI YMCA RURAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTRE*

The Rural Community Development Centre Hodal organized 77th Independence Day Programme on 13th, August 2024. The festivities started with flag hoisting by the President, NDY, Mr. Joseph A Benjamin along with Mr. Peter Prem, Chairman RCDC Hodal, and Mr. Rajiv Singh General Secretary, NDY, Committee Members, school children & staff of RCDC.

Mr. Rajeev Singh, GS & CEO NDY welcomed all the guests to the RCDC and gave his greeting to the gathering. Mr. Peter Prem, Chairman RCDC also gave his greetings to the students, parents and the staff of the YPS; the students presented a cultural programme on the occasion of the Independence Day, the highlight of the cultural programme was the skit organised by the class 4 & 5 students which was well liked by the guests. Mr. J A Benjamin, President, NDY while addressing the gathering congratulated the children and teachers for the programme and also announced to the gathering that the YPS, Hodal has got the NOC to start higher classes.





## DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS



The New Delhi YMCA, Department of Christian Emphasis organized the Prayer Breakfast Fellowship program on Saturday, 13th July 2024 at 8:30 am in the Heinz Auditorium, Tourist Hostel, New Delhi YMCA, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi – 110001.

The meeting began with a prayer offered by Rev. Vasant Kumar Rebuen, Chairman, DoCE.

It was followed by the congregational Hymn “When we walk with the Lord”

Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO, NDY, welcomed everyone present and especially welcomed Rev. Clifford J Horten, Associate Pastor, Global Christian Life Center, Assembly of God Church.

The Praise and Worship was led by Bro. Gareth, Christine & Abraham.

The Scripture Portion (2 Peter 1:3-11) was read by Pastor Yakub Masih.

The message was shared by Rev. Clifford J Horten, Associate Pastor. He shared the value of Christian Life.

The closing Prayer and Benediction was pronounced by Pastor Abraham Gaekwad.

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

Around 70 people attended the program.



The New Delhi YMCA, Department of Christian Emphasis organized the Prayer Breakfast Fellowship program on Saturday, 10th August 2024 at 8:30 am in the Heinz Auditorium, Tourist Hostel, New Delhi YMCA, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi – 110001.

The meeting began with a prayer offered by Rev. Vasant Kumar Reuben, Chairman, DOCE.

It was followed by the congregational Hymn “All to Jesus I Surrender.....”

Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO, NDY, welcomed everyone present and especially welcomed Rev. Varun Savio Alfred, Presbyterian in Charge – Christ Church, Basaidarapur.

The Praise and Worship was led by Pastor Abram, Bro. David & Team.

The Scripture Portion (Mark 4:26-34) was read by Mr. Mark Biswas, Trainee Secretary, NDY.

The message was shared by Rev. Varun Savio Alfred.

The closing Prayer and Benediction was pronounced by Pastor Abram

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

Around 75 people attended the program.



## **An Evening of Symphony & Harmony at Y School of Music**

Music is a source of Happiness, Peace and Togetherness. The Y School of Music (YSM), an integral part of the Programme Cultural & Tribal Committee (PCTC) organized a wonderfully orchestrated Symphony of Music Concert at the 'Y' School of Music hall on Saturday 24 August, 2024 where Harmonic Symphonies created a mesmerizing evening of Musical Magic. The talented and dedicated students of 'Y' School of Music, under the leadership of their faculty displayed a variety of skills through individual and group presentations on the Piano, Violin, Guitars, Drums and Vocals. The initiative was highly appreciated by all in attendance and the students were filled with a sense of achievement and motivation with the praise and gratitude of the well-wishers.

The programme was attended by the parents, friends, Members of the Board of Directors and Members of New Delhi YMCA. Mr. Gladwin Lal, Assistant General Secretary, PCT proposed the vote of thanks.

At the end the faculties and students were awarded certificates of appreciation.





## YMCA GREATER NOIDA PROGRAMME CENTRE

YMCA Greater Noida Programme Centre organized Prayer Breakfast Fellowship on 24th August 2024 at 8:30 am in the GNPC Auditorium. The programme brought together individuals for a time of spiritual reflection and community bonding.

The program commenced with an opening prayer by Pastor Rajesh Kumar, setting a reverent tone for the gathering. Following the prayer, Mr. Vineet Masih, Assistant General Secretary, NDY delivered the welcome address, extending a warm greeting to all the guests present. Mr. Vijay Russell, Chairman, GNPC then shared greetings, expressing gratitude and encouragement to the congregation.

The praise and worship session was led by the Harvest Mission College, Greater Noida, who uplifted the spirits of everyone present with their heartfelt songs. The scripture reading was done by Mr. Harshul Singh, Assistant Secretary, NDY who read from the Gospel of John 6:24-35, reminding everyone of the significance of spiritual nourishment.

The message for the day was delivered by Rev. Sandeep David, Presbyterian in charge, Christ Church, Noida. This was followed by the singing of the congregational hymn, "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings," which united the guests in praise.

The event concluded with a closing prayer and benediction by Pastor Anil Kumar, after which the pastors and the praise and worship team were felicitated with bouquet and memento as a token of appreciation for their contributions. Mr. Harshul Singh, Assistant Secretary, NDY then gave the vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to all who made the programme possible.

The programme concluded with a fellowship breakfast, where attendees had the opportunity to connect and share in the spirit of community. The programme was a blessed time of worship, reflection, and fellowship, leaving a lasting impact on all who attended.



The YMCA Greater Noida Programme Centre organized Independence Day Programme on the 15th of August 2024, marking the 78th anniversary of India's independence.

The programme commenced with an opening prayer led by Pastor Samson from Believers Crown Church, invoking blessings and setting a reverent tone for the occasion. Following the prayer, Mr. Vineet Masih, Assistant General Secretary, NDY warmly welcomed all the guests, expressing gratitude for their presence and participation in this significant national celebration.

Mr. Vijay Russel, Chairman, GNPC then took the stage to deliver a heartfelt greeting and shared an inspiring message, reflecting on the significance of Independence Day. His words resonated deeply with the guests, reminding everyone of the importance of unity and patriotism.

The highlight of the event was the hoisting of the national flag, a moment filled with pride and patriotism. As the flag unfurled, the guests joined together in singing the National Anthem, a stirring tribute to the nation's heritage and freedom.

The cultural performances that followed added colour and energy to the celebration. Students from MDIS (Metro Delhi International School) showcased a captivating dance performance, followed by an energetic karate display by R.K. Sports Academy. The Believers Crown Church Choir then performed a beautiful patriotic song, which filled the atmosphere with a sense of pride and devotion.

The event concluded with a closing prayer by Miss Minna Franklin, bringing the celebration to a solemn and heartfelt end. Her prayer was a fitting conclusion, reminding everyone to remain grateful for the freedoms we enjoy.

Mr. Harshul Singh, Assistant Secretary, NDY delivered the vote of thanks, expressing appreciation to all the Performers and guests for making the event a grand success. He acknowledged the efforts of everyone involved in organizing the programme and the importance of coming together as a community to celebrate such a significant day.

The celebration concluded with everyone joining for the refreshments served, providing an opportunity for fellowship and camaraderie among the guests.





## DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS

The New Delhi YMCA Department of Sports has recently revamped its activities and programs with the inclusion of Process refinement, Preventive Maintenance Scheduling, Infrastructural Upgrades, Program Enhancement, Lesson Plans, Fitness Programs, etc. leading to an increase in overall efficiency, proliferation of membership across activities, and competence in the allocation of resources.

**Swimming Pool:** The Swimming Pool has been revived and quality standards are being monitored and maintained on a daily basis. A detailed Maintenance Schedule has been devised and implemented to ensure efficient and effective cleaning and maintenance of safety and hygiene standards. The Membership for Swimming Coaching and Practice Sessions is currently at 489+ Members, which include new registrations and renewals.

**Fitness Centre:** The Fitness Centre has undergone major upgrades and new equipment has been added to the existing machines, based on the requisitions of the Membership and to expand the scope of operations. Another new inclusion at the Fitness Centre is the implementation of Exercise and Nutrition Cards which track the development of each member and provide them with a clear perspective regarding their efforts v/s transitions over time. The current membership is 136+ and new registrations are increasing gradually.

**Lawn Tennis:** One of the most successful ventures of the Department of Sports has been Lawn Tennis (Coaching and Practice) whereby regular increase in membership is witnessed. The Coaching schedule has been revised and Group and Individual Coaching have become even more productive & effective. The current membership for July – August 2024, is 70+ members.

**Karate:** The kids and children attending Karate Coaching have been allocated a dedicated space in the Y School of Music Recreation Hall, for Indoor classes during adverse weather conditions, so that classes are not postponed or cancelled. The classes schedules have been renewed and increased batches have been introduced as a result of the Dedicated Space Allocations. This has led to a surge in the membership registrations which is currently at 22+ and is increasing stably.

**Basketball:** The Basketball Court underwent some repair and maintenance in order to create a better playing surface and provide a better facility for Basketball Coaching. The Membership statistics for July – August 2024 is 25+ members and new registrations are being received periodically.

**Volleyball:** The sport of Volleyball has always been a trademark of YMCAs across the Globe. The Volleyball Coaching at New Delhi YMCA has been overhauled and the Members for July – August are 30+ students. Special attention is being paid to ensure that this number increases over time.





# DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS

## The New Delhi YMCA Invitational Aquatic Championship 2024

The New Delhi YMCA, Department of Sports organized the New Delhi YMCA Invitational Aquatic Championship 2024 from 22nd August to 24th August 2024 at the New Delhi YMCA Swimming Pool (Affiliated with the Delhi Swimming Association). The Programme was a Grand Success with 861 participants (Boys & Girls) from 75 schools in and around Delhi NCR competed in 125 activities, over a 3-Day event. The activities included 50 M Freestyle; 50 M Butterfly; 50 M Backstroke; 100 M Freestyle; 100 M Butterfly; 100 M Backstroke; 50 M Breast stroke; 4x50 Medley Relay; 200 M Individual Medley; 100 M Breast stroke; 4x50 Freestyle Relay.

The Best Swimmer Trophy in Boys category was won by Aarav Tyagi of Modern School, Barakhamba Road, Delhi and in Girls category was won by Harshit Lakhina of Bal Bharti Public School, G.R.

The Group Championship Trophy in the Boys category was won by Modern School, Barakhamba Road, Delhi, and in the Girls category, it was won by Birla Vidya Niketan School, Delhi.

The Overall Team Championship Trophy was won by Birla Vidya Niketan School, Delhi and the Runner's up Trophy was won by the Modern School, Barakhamba Road, Delhi for both Boys and Girls categories in the New Delhi YMCA Aquatic Champion.

The Program was well attended & appreciated by the Participants & Parents resulting in a positive impact and holistic development through this undertaking.





# DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL, HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

## Cancer Screening Camp at CDC Savda Ghevra

Community Development Centre Savda Ghevra organized a Free Cancer Screening Camp & Health Checkup Camp on 19th July 2024 at BVK 'G' Block in collaboration with the Can Support Organization and Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute & 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. A team of Doctors and Nurses from Rajeev Gandhi Hospital was there in the Cancer Screening Camp. The focus was to create awareness about the cancer disease and also the information was given if diagnosed with any kind of malignancy, what should be done and where to approach. There were 100 registrations in the Cancer Screening Camp at BVK 'G' Block, CDC Savda Ghevra. The Free Cancer Screening Camp was very successful and was highly valued and appreciated by the Community people.

## Awareness Generation Programme

Awareness Session on Menstrual Health & Hygiene was organized on 8th July 2024 at Sunlight Colony and again on 26th July 2024 at Karpoori Thakur with Adolescent Girls and Women. The objective of the programme was to increase awareness among Adolescent Girls on Menstruation Health & Hygiene. Also to create Awareness about the myths and misconception associated with the Menstruation Cycle and importance of use of Sanitary Napkins. The resource person was Ms. Paramjeet, Educationist & Ms. Seema Malhotra, Educationist from Parivar Sewa Sansthan. 63 students participated in the programme.

Awareness Generation Programme on "Non Traditional Livelihood Programme" was organized on 8th July 2024 at Community Development Centre Kalyanpuri with women and girls. The objective of the Programme was to empower women to become professional drivers, also to enable them to gain remunerative 'livelihoods with dignity'. The Resource person was Ms. Sweety and Ms. Asha from Azad Foundation. 19 Participants participated in the programme.

Awareness Generation Programme on "Mensuration Health & Hygiene" was organized on 26th July 2024 with Adolescent Girls at Community Development Centre Karpoori Thakur. The objective of the Programme was to increase awareness among Adolescent Girls on Menstruation Cleanliness during period. Also create Awareness about the myths and misconception associated with the Menstruation Cycle and importance of use of Sanitary Napkins. The Resource Person was Ms. Seema Malhotra, Educationist from Parivar Sewa Sansthan and 36 participants participated in the Programme.

Awareness Generation Program on "Waste Management" was organized on 30th July 2024 with the Students of Remedial & Coaching classes at Community Development Centre Daya Basti. The objective of the programme was to provide information about the system for proper waste segregation. Information was also given that separation of hazardous and non-hazardous waste could be done by installing dustbins or monitoring garbage disposal sites. This could improve recycling rates. Resource person was Ms. Priyanka Sr. Programme Coordinator from "HMD Foundation. 43 Students participated in this programme.

Awareness Generation Programme on "Financial Literacy" was organized on 8th August 2024 at Community Development Centre Kalyanpuri with the Women. The objective of the Programme was to inculcate the habit of saving among women and how to avoid getting into scam by Online /Offline Fraud. The Resource Persons were Mr. Vinit, Financial Literacy Counsellor from ICICI Foundation. 25 Women participated in the programme.

Awareness Session on "Liver Care" with Youth & Women was organized on 17th August 2024 at ALC Mangal Bazar, CDC Sunlight Colony with the help of Liver Care Foundation. The Resource Person was Mr. Santlal, Senior Community Development Officer from Liver Care Foundation. The objective of the programme was to raise awareness about the importance of maintaining a healthy Liver, and preventing Liver Diseases. 41 Youth & Women participated in the programme.

## Donation of Cloth material by Rotary Club of Delhi South Extension

The Department of Social and Human Development joined hands with the Rotary Club of Delhi South Ex. at YMCA Community Development Centre Karpoori Thakur. Earlier in April 2018 the Rotary club of Delhi South Ex. donated 20 sewing machines to run skill development programme for the marginalized girls and women with the objective to empower them with skills which would enable them to become self- dependent economically and socially. On 9th August 2024 Members of Rotary donated 100 Meters of cloth material for this programme. Ms. Sam Ninan Oommen and her team interacted with the girls and women at the Centers. The programme was graced by the presence of Mr. Hemant Agarwal, Assistant General Secretary and Ms. Monica Singh, Programme Officer Department of SHD.





# DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL, HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

## Felicitation of SHD Achievers in Board Examination:



The Department of Social and Human Development organized a programme to felicitate the SHD Achievers in Board Examination on 3rd August 2024 who have passed their class X and XII Board Exams after receiving Coaching classes at different Community Development Centers. The Chief Guest was Ms. Litty Jose Kutty, CGM (E&T) Corporate Infocom Services, ONGC, and the Guest of Honor was Ms. Mercy Oommen, SNOE Award Administrator. The programme was also graced by the presence of Mr. Francis Andrade, Chairman SHD, Mr. Peter Prem, Member, Board of Directors, NDY; Mr. Alok Michyari, Member, Board of Directors, NDY; Dr. Saju Varghese, Mr. James Massey, Mr. Albert Gabriel, SHD Committee Member, Daughters of Late Mr. Sam Ninan Oommen, Mary & Rebecca, and other Rotarians.

SHD department is conducting 19 Coaching Classes in all 5 CDCs. 99 students (49 students of X and 50 students of XII) out of 138 students passed in the first division out of which 21 students secured 80% and above. The highest marks was secured by Ms. Anjum who secured 89.290% in class XII from CDC Savda Ghevra and Ms. Sunita Kumari who secured 96.20% in class X from CDC Kalyanpuri.

## Distribution of SAM NINAN OOMMEN EXCELLENCE AWARD:

This award is given in the memory of the Former Member of New Delhi YMCA. Late Sam Ninan Oommen. He had a very close and long-standing association with the YMCA. The Sam Ninan Oommen Excellence Award also known as "SNOE" Award consisting of an amount of RS 25000/-annually, is a contribution for the lesser privileged children of Department of Social and Human Development New Delhi YMCA. This cash amount is paid by Mrs. Mercy Oommen wife of Late Sam Ninan Oommen. This award was distributed equally among 10 students of the Community Development Centers on 3rd August 2024.

The Recipient of the award this year were Kumkum, Varsha (CDC Kalyanpuri), Sana , Akash (CDC Sunlight Colony), Aman Kumar Sahu, Rukshana (CDC Daya Basti), Satyam, Pankaj (CDC Karpoori Thakur) and Samiya Parveen, Shivani (CDC Savda Ghevra). Mrs. Oommen announced that even after her, this amount will continue to be sponsored by her daughters, Mary Oommen, Rebecca Oommen and Elizabeth Oommen George. The New Delhi YMCA expresses its heartfelt gratitude and thanks for their noble gesture in supporting the underprivileged students.

## Independence Day Programme

The New Delhi YMCA, Department of Social and Human Development celebrated 78th Independence Day Programme at all 5 Community Development Centers On 13th August 2024, Flag Hoisting Ceremony was held at Sunlight Colony, SHD Chairman, Mr. Francis Andrade did the honor of hoisting the Tricolor. It was followed by a colorful programme of patriotic dance and song presentation by the children of the center. The programme was graced by the presence of Mr. Francis Andrade, Chairman of SHD, Mr. James Massey, Vice Chairman SHD.

Later the same day Flag Hoisting Ceremony was also held at Kalyanpuri Center. Local MLA Mr. Kuldeep Kumar, Councilor, Mr. Bunty Gautam, along with SHD Chairman, Mr. Francis Andrade hoisted the Tricolor in presence of SHD Committee Members and other guests and dignitaries . A colorful cultural programme was presented after the Flag Hoisting ceremony.

The same Day Independence Day was also Celebrated at CDC Karpoori Thakur and the Flag Hoisting was done by Mr. Francis Andrade, Chairman of SHD along with Mr. James Massey, Vice Chairman SHD, Mr. Albert Gabriel, Mr. Subhash Masters, Mr. Benjamin Paul, Mr. Sahil Kumar, Mr. Prakash Manwar SHD Committee Members, Mr. Hemant Agarwal, Assistant General Secretary and Ms. Monica Singh, Programme Officer Department of SHD. Also Mr. Mohit Kumar & Vinod Kumar, of Police Station Shri Niwas Puri were present at the programme .The Programme was also graced by the presence of Local Leader Mr Sita Ram Kamat and Munna Khan. All 3 programmes were graced by the presence of Mr. Albert Gabriel, Mr. Subhash Masters, Mr. Benjamin Paul, Mr. Sahil Kumar SHD Committee Members, Mr. Hemant Agarwal, Assistant General Secretary and Ms. Monica Singh, Programme Officer.

On 14th August 2024, Independence Day was celebrated at CDC Daya Basti MLA Mr. Somdutt Sharma along with SHD Chairman; Mr. Francis Andrade, hoisted the Tricolor in presence of many SHD Committee Members Mr. James Massey, Vice Chairman SHD, Mr. Albert Gabriel, Mr. Subhash Masters, Mr. Benjamin Paul, Mr. Sahil Kumar Mr. Prakash Manwar, Dr. Saju Varghese, Ms. Usha , Principal MCD Primary School , Sarai Basti Mr. Hemant Aggarwal, Assistant General Secretary and Ms. Monica Singh, Programme Officer Students, and Staff. A colorful programme was presented by the Students of CDC Daya Basti. Programme Concluded with distribution of sweets to the children.

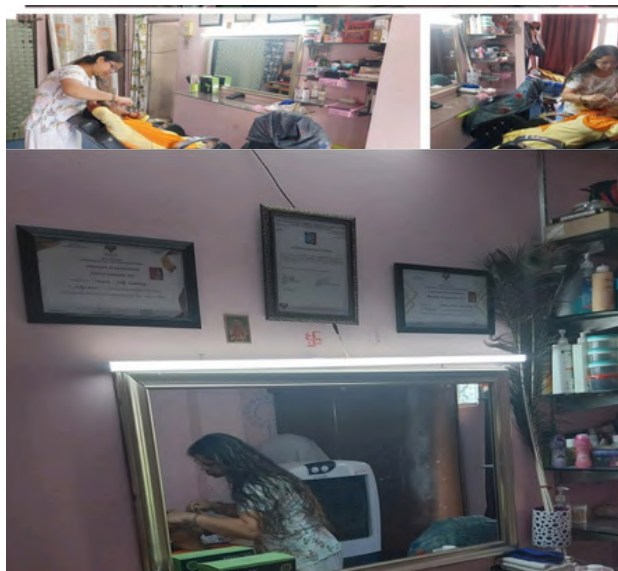
Same Day the Flag Hoisting ceremony was also held at CDC Savda Ghevra. The Tricolor was hoisted by Mr. Francis Andrade Chairman SHD, Children and Youth performed on Patriotic Songs. Mr. Anoop Halder gave a heartwarming speech on the occasion of Independence Day.





# DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL, HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

## Success Story of Ms. Urmila Bharti



## It matters not what someone is born, but what they are grown to be

“Every female should study and learn the skills which could support her to be independent and self-reliant.

Following the same Mantra, this is a success story of Ms. Urmila Bharti of Community Development Center, Kalyanpuri enrolled in Beautician course. She attended classes regularly, and worked hard. With dedication she honed her skills and gained confidence in her abilities.

She liked YMCA so much that she attended other Programmes like Women's day, Independence Day, Summer programme etc. After completing the training program, Urmila started working as a freelancer in her local area and later opened her own Beauty Parlor by the name “VANSHIKA BEAUTY PARLOR at KALYANPURI”, where she is doing very well financially and otherwise.

Before joining YMCA Urmila was low in confidence. Financially not stable and independent Introvert Low in communication with people. But now she is confident lady, financially independent. Her communication Skills have improved. She even sends her children to YMCA for Coaching Classes. She can do banking confidently now after joining our Self Help Group.

Urmila Bharti is one of the many success stories of YMCA SHD department.

## From First-Generation Learner to Educator: A Journey of Perseverance and Support

Mahesh Haldar's journey is a testament to the power of perseverance, hard work, and the never ending belief in the potential of education. Born into a lower-middle-class family where formal education was not a norm, Mahesh is the first in his family to pursue academic learning. Despite the challenges posed by his circumstances, he never allowed these obstacles to deter him from his goals. Instead, he embraced consistency and determination as his guiding principles, which eventually led him to success. Mahesh's turning point came when he discovered the CDC Savda Ghevra, New Delhi YMCA, an organization that played a pivotal role in shaping his future. In 2012-13, Mahesh joined the YMCA, enrolling in computer and English-speaking courses. This organization provided him with a platform to enhance his skills and opened doors to opportunities he had never imagined.

One such opportunity was the youth exchange program to Germany between New Delhi YMCA and Sportsjugend Germany. Through this program, Mahesh gained valuable insights into the educational standards and cultural landscapes of both Germany and India. This experience broadened his horizons and deepened his understanding of global education systems. For Mahesh, this was a life-changing experience, and he remains deeply grateful to YMCA for making it possible.

New Delhi YMCA, Department of SHD in the year 2019 supported Mahesh by covering his coaching fees and providing study materials, offering both financial and educational assistance. What began as a place of learning for Mahesh soon became a place of teaching, as the NGO later entrusted him with the role of instructor/Visiting Faculty—a responsibility he considers a significant achievement. Today, Mahesh is a proud primary School teacher employed by the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. Looking ahead, Mahesh is committed to give back to the organization that gave him so much. He decided to assist YMCA's work in every way possible, ensuring that others like him can also find the support they need to achieve their dreams. Mahesh Haldar's story is one of inspiration, proving that with the right support and an unbreakable spirit, success is within reach, no matter where one starts.

## Success Story of Mr. Mahesh Halder



## TEACHERS TRAINING PROGRAMME

The orientation of the new batch of D.EDSE IDD 2024-25 was held on 19th July 2024, whereby the new students were briefed about the two years teachers training programme

The second Year students of Teacher Training Institute conducted Group Teaching Activities for 1st to 5th classes from 22nd July to 3rd August 2024.

The TTI students performed at the YMCA Public School Independence day function celebrated on 14th August 2024, displaying the spirit of patriotism.





# YMCA PUBLIC SCHOOL - NIZAMUDDIN

On the 20th of July 2024 we had the badminton inter house competition flagged off by Principal Mr. C.P. Davis. The high - spirited houses Red, Blue, Green and Yellow were rustling around to hustle with each other in the accurately marked court which would decide the winner. The vigours of the players matched with their respective vibrant house colours.

The tournament was based on the knockout method. The matches were to be conducted between the four categories - Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Senior Boys and Senior Girls.

The rules and regulations of the tournament were briefed to the players by the sports committee head Mr Edward. P. PERSHAD. The smooth playing of the entire tournament was taken care of by Ms. Ruby Lama, who obliged to do the scoring for the entire tournament.

Each and every round of the tournament saw the players in full excitement and competitiveness. We could witness every player hitting the shuttle hard to contribute to their team and house.

The finals of this tournament saw the "One Team, One Dream" mantra with the entire school along with the teachers cheering their house members. They all wished to see the good, but never better than their house.

Our respected Principal wished the players before each final round match. After the nail biting final round matches, the position of all the houses settled down as follows :

**BLUE house first place with - 50 points**

**GREEN house second place with - 49 points**

**YELLOW house third place with - 47 points**

**RED house fourth place with - 45 points**

The badminton inter house competition came to an end with each team showcasing their true caliber in sports.

On July 25 and 26, 2024, YMCA Public School visited Queen Mary School in Model Town with a group of nine enthusiastic students. The purpose of our visit was to participate in a series of inter school competitions, including poem recitation, a science model competition, arts, and singing.

We arrived at Queen Mary School bright and early, filled with excitement and anticipation. The atmosphere was buzzing with energy as students from various schools gathered to showcase their talents.

Our students performed exceptionally well in the poem recitation competition. Each student chose a unique piece that reflected their personality and creativity. They delivered their recitations with confidence and passion, earning applause from the audience and judges alike.

Following the recitation, we moved on to the science model competition. Our students had worked hard on their Earthquake detector project. They presented their models with clarity and enthusiasm, explaining their ideas and the science behind them. The judges were impressed by the creativity and depth of understanding demonstrated by our students.

The arts competition showcased the artistic skills of our students. They had prepared various artworks, ranging from paintings to crafts. The creativity on display was astounding, and our students received positive feedback from both peers and judges.

To conclude our visit, the singing competition provided a platform for our students to share their musical talents. Each participant brought their own flair to the performances, and the judges were captivated by their vocal abilities and stage presence. The atmosphere was filled with music and joy, making it a memorable experience for everyone involved.

Overall, the visit to Queen Mary School was a fantastic experience that allowed our students to shine and gain confidence in their abilities. They not only had the chance to compete but also to interact with students from other schools, fostering a spirit of camaraderie and healthy competition. We returned home with wonderful memories and valuable experiences that will encourage our students to continue pursuing their passions.

The Drawing competition was held on July 12, 2024 at YMCA Public School for classes 1 to 5. This event aimed to encourage students' creativity and artistic skills, providing them a platform to showcase their talents. The competition saw enthusiastic participation from the students with a specific theme "RAINY SEASON". The competition was divided into two categories:

**1st Group - Classes 1 to 2**

**2nd Group - Classes 3, 4 & 5**

The young artists showcased incredible creativity, depicting their interpretations of the theme vividly and uniquely. The Judge Ms. Madiha evaluated the artworks based on creativity, originality and relevance to the theme.

The Drawing competition was a great success, fostering a spirit of creativity and artistic expression among the students. The event not only highlighted the exceptional talents of the young artists but also encouraged them to pursue their passion for art.

Special thanks to Mr. C.P Davis (Principal), Cultural Committee and teachers for their incredible ideas and supervision for making the event a success.

Overall, The Drawing competition was an enriching experience for everyone involved, leaving a lasting impression on the young artists.





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Non - physical activities are also an essential part for the development of a healthy mind and to increase concentration level. Hence the YMCA SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL, sports committee head Mr. Edward. P. Pershad with the guidance of our Principal Mr. C.P Davis organised Xudo competition. This inter House indoor competition was held on Saturday 3rd August 2024.

In the morning assembly, the students were instructed to maintain discipline and silence throughout the event. Since it was an inter house tussle, it created competitive atmosphere as some were looking forward to participate and enjoy whereas some were ready to compete and win. Nevertheless, everyone enjoyed the intriguing day.

Sincere thanks to our sports teacher Mr. Edward. P. Pershad for monitoring and keeping records for the entire Ludo inter house competition 2024.

Subsequently, the games went on and it got more and more intense. It wasn't long when the finals started by 1:00 p.m. There were participants from all the houses making the venue colorful and lively.

Finally at the end the following were the position of the houses in the Xudo competition.

PLACE	HOUSE	POINTS
1st	GREEN	24
2nd	RED	22
3rd	BLUE	17
4th	YELLOW	9

The teachers support was indeed a blessing to make this event successful.

## YMCA Public School Report: Rakhi Making Competition

YMCA Public School is pleased to share the success of the Rakhi Making Competition held on August 17, 2024. The event, which was organized for students from classes 1 to 8, was a delightful celebration of creativity and the festival of Raksha Bandhan.

Students showcased their artistic skills by creating beautiful and unique rakhis.

A panel of dedicated teachers was appointed as judges for the event. Their keen observations and thoughtful evaluations ensured a fair competition.

The students not only displayed their creativity in making rakhis but also enjoyed the festive spirit by exchanging rakhis with their peers. This activity helped them embrace the essence of Raksha Bandhan and strengthened their bonds of friendship.

The competition was met with enthusiasm and joy, with students engaging wholeheartedly in the process of designing and crafting their rakhis. The event provided an opportunity for students to express their creativity and appreciate the traditional values associated with the festival.

YMCA Public School is committed to fostering an environment where students can celebrate cultural traditions and engage in creative activities. The Rakhi Making Competition was a wonderful example of this commitment, and we look forward to hosting more such events that enrich the students' educational experience and cultural understanding.



## Orientation on Female Hygiene Conducted by Swachhta Committee

On July 4, 2024, the Swachhta Committee of YMCA Public School conducted an orientation on female hygiene for the girls of classes 6 to 12 under the guidance of Principal Mr. C.P. Davis. The event was aimed at educating young girls about the importance of maintaining personal hygiene, understanding their bodily changes, managing menstrual health effectively, and dispel myths and misconceptions related to menstruation and to encourage open communication about female health issues.

The orientation commenced with opening remarks by Nandini Kumari. She emphasized the significance of personal hygiene in the overall well-being and confidence of young girls.

Sheena Subroi, the event coordinator, led an engaging presentation that covered various aspects of female hygiene, including:

**Daily hygiene practices.**

**Importance of cleanliness during menstruation.**

**Proper disposal of sanitary products.**

**Nutrition and hydration for menstrual health.**

Avantika Singh, a committee member, facilitated an interactive session where students could ask questions and share their experiences. This session encouraged active participation and helped in clearing up common misconceptions about menstruation.

The session concluded with feedback from the students and teachers. Many students expressed their gratitude for the valuable information and felt more confident in managing their hygiene. Teachers appreciated the initiative and suggested organizing similar sessions periodically.

The orientation significantly increased awareness among students about the importance of maintaining personal hygiene and understanding menstrual health.

The event empowered young girls by providing them with the knowledge and tools to take charge of their health. The interactive session fostered an open dialogue about menstruation, reducing the stigma associated with it. The orientation on female hygiene conducted by the Swachhta Committee was a successful and impactful event. It not only educated the students but also provided them with the necessary resources to maintain good hygiene practices. The positive feedback from the students and teachers underscores the importance of such initiatives in fostering a healthy and informed student community.



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## Outreach program to Saraswati Publishing House

A group of forty students from classes 7 and 8, YMCA Public School visited Saraswati Publishing House on 2nd August'24 to explore the various stages of book publishing. The visit aimed to enhance students' understanding of how books are created and distributed, from initial conception to final production. This report outlines the key observations and insights from the visit, including interactions with the staff, an overview of the machinery and procedures used in book production. The visit began with an overview of Saraswati Publishing House, including its history, mission, and the range of books it publishes. The students were introduced to key personnel and their roles within the organization.

The process of writing and submitting a manuscript by the author was discussed. The discussion covered the inspiration behind the book, the drafting and revision process including the collaboration with editors and publishers. A publisher's role was explained including the Key points like manuscript evaluation and selection, contract negotiation, editorial guidance and book development, marketing and distribution strategies.

The publishing house explained the importance of copyright registration for protecting the author's intellectual property. This involves registering the manuscript with relevant copyright offices. Authors sign contracts outlining the terms of publication, including royalties, rights, and responsibilities. Designers create cover art and interior layouts. The book's design is reviewed and approved before final production.

Students were given a tour of the printing facilities which included-

**Pre-press:** Preparing digital files and proofs.

**Printing :**How books are printed using offset or digital printing techniques. Students saw various types of printing presses and learned how they operate.

**Binding :** The methods used to bind books, including hardcover and paperback options.

**Finishing Equipment :** The process of adding final touches to the book, such as trimming and covering.

The visit concluded with a Q&A session where students were asked questions about the publishing industry, career opportunities, and the future of book publishing. The students were awarded with prizes on every correct answer. Each student was given a certificate of participation and refreshment also. The visit to Saraswati Publishing House provided students with a comprehensive understanding of the book publishing process. They gained valuable insights into the roles of authors, publishers, and the technical aspects of printing and binding. The experience highlighted the collaborative effort required to bring a book from the author to the reader. We extend our gratitude to the staff of Saraswati Publishing House for their hospitality and a special mention to Mr. Ayan and Mr. Saba for their informative presentations.





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## Tug of War Competition at YMCA Public School



The YMCA Public School organized a thrilling Tug of War competition on 6 July 2024, which witnessed enthusiastic participation from students across all houses and categories. The event aimed to foster teamwork, sportsmanship, and camaraderie among the students.

Competition Categories were

**Senior Boys**

**Junior Boys**

**Senior Girls**

**Junior Girls**

House-wise teams competed against each other in their respective categories, showcasing their strength, strategy, and teamwork. The competition was intense, with each team putting in their best efforts to win. Students cheered for their fellow house members, creating a lively and supportive atmosphere.

The Tug of War competition was a resounding success, with students exhibiting immense enthusiasm and sportsmanship. The event helped build house spirit, fostered new friendships, and created unforgettable memories.

The YMCA Public School congratulates all participants and winners of the Tug of War competition. We appreciate the efforts of our physical education department and staff members who organized and supervised the event.

## Orientation Programme for Teachers at YMCA Public School

The YMCA Public School organized an orientation programme for its teachers on 5 July 2024. The event aimed to equip teachers with the necessary skills and knowledge to tackle the upcoming academic session effectively.

Mr. Kuriakose V.K, Principal of St. Thomas School, Indirapuram, graciously accepted our invitation to be the resource person for the programme. His vast experience and expertise in the field of education made the session insightful and engaging.

The orientation programme was a resounding success, with teachers who expressed their appreciation for the valuable insights and practical tips shared by Mr. Kuriakose V.K. The session rejuvenated the teachers' enthusiasm and motivation, preparing them to face the challenges of the new academic session. We are confident that the knowledge and skills imparted during the session will significantly enhance the teaching-learning process in our school.



## Zonal Level Competitions at YMCA Public School

YMCA Public School is delighted to report the enthusiastic participation of our students in the recent zonal level competitions, where they competed across a variety of events and showcased their exceptional talents. Our school was represented in the following different competitions, reflecting a broad range of skills and interests:

1. Essay Writing
2. Visual Art Drawing
3. Visual Art Painting
4. Poster Making
5. Extempore
6. Debate
7. Poetry Recitation
8. Patriotic Song
9. Declamation
10. Percussion
11. Slogan Writing

We are proud to announce that three of our students excelled in these competitions and have advanced to the district level:

- Zainab Fatima secured third place in the English Essay Writing competition in the Junior category.
- Zara Musheer achieved second place in the English Declamation competition in the Junior category.
- Maliha Javed earned first place in the English Slogan Writing competition in the Junior category.

These impressive results highlight the talent and hard work of our students, as well as the quality of education provided at YMCA Public School.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our Principal, Mr. C.P. Davis, and Mr. Feroze Khan, Assistant General Secretary, for their unwavering support and encouragement. Their guidance, along with the support from the school management, has been instrumental in the success of our students.

As we celebrate these achievements, we look forward to further accomplishments in the district level competitions and beyond. Our students' dedication and the school's commitment to nurturing their talents continue to drive us towards excellence.





# HARBINGERS OF CHANGE - YMCA OOTY

The National Council of YMCAs of India, Department of Youth Empowerment, Gender, Sports/ Physical Education organized the “Harbingers of Change” programme at YMCA Ooty from 30th August to 1 September 2024. The event gathered representative from across the country, with Mr. Harshul Singh, Assistant Secretary representing the New Delhi YMCA from North India Region.

The programme commenced with an introductory session led by Dr. Koshy Alexander Vaidyan, Secretary setting the tone for the event. This was followed by the inaugural ceremony, where several distinguished guests were present, including Mr. Vincent George, President, NCYI, Ms. Mahima Turhi Aggarwal, Chairperson, Youth Work Committee, Dr. Betsy Williams, Vice- President, NCYI, Mr. Reji George, Treasurer, NCYI and Mr. Eldo N. Varghese, NGS, NCYI. The highlight of the day was flagship speech delivered by Mr. Tom George, Educationalist & Motivational Speaker, Hebron School. The day continued with various sessions conducted by YMCA Professional Secretaries, focusing on leadership and social impact. Here is the list of the sessions organized.

Session	Conducted By	Topic
Session 1	Mr. Eldo N. Varghese	YMCA: Discover Your Potential, Make an Impact
Session 2	Mr. Sundersingh Barnabas	YMCA History, Mission and Vision & Vision 2030
Session 3	Mr. Ashish Thorat	Community Assessment and Engagement
Session 4	Mr. Reji Varghese	Leadership and Advocacy
Session 5	Mr. L. Max Williard	Social Justice and Human Rights
Session 6	Mr. Jaydip Sarkar	Environmental Sustainability
Session 7	Mr. Shalin Jebakumar	Digital Literacy and Media Awareness
Session 8	Mr. Sebastian Francis	Physical Literacy, Health and Wellness
Session 9	Mr. Manohar Sam	Economic Empowerment and Financial Literacy
Session 10	Mr. Bhen Samson	Beyond Boundaries: YMCA Camping for Life's Adventures and Skills
Session 11	Mr. Prabhu Kumar	Cultural Competency and Inclusivity



The second day featured a heritage walk around the picturesque mountain streets of Ooty, allowing participants to explore the local culture and history. The walk provided participants with a chance to immerse themselves in the beauty and historical significance of the area. The afternoon continued with the usual sessions, maintaining the programme’s focus on fostering growth, learning and collaboration among participants followed by a visit to the Botanical Garden. The day concluded with a lively campfire night, where the youth showcased their talents. The campfire setting fostered a sense of camaraderie and relaxation, providing a platform for informal interactions and performances.

On the final day, the programme began with a Sunday worship service led by Rev. Phillip Mulli, Historian & Theologian followed by Holy Communion. The worship service offered participants a moment of reflection and spiritual nourishment, encapsulating the programme’s commitment to holistic development. The day wrapped up with the concluding session, provided an opportunity to summarize the key learnings and experiences of the programme.

The Harbingers of Change Programme by National Council of YMCAs of India successfully combined cultural enrichment, educational experiences and spiritual growth. This provided a well rounded experience that resonated with all the participants.



# *INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES (IMS)* *HUMAN POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (HPDP)*

## **Regional Investor Seminar for Awareness (RISA)'**



On August 30, 2024 a half-day training seminar at Heinz Auditorium, New Delhi YMCA was organized by Institute of Management Studies (IMS). The seminar was conducted jointly in cooperation with Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) & Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE).

The objective of the seminar was to appraise the audience about the opportunities as well as challenges while investing. The seminar was attended by around 200 participants which included NDY members, staff, faculty, and students etc.

Mr. Noel Phillips, Associate General Secretary NDY, commenced the proceedings with an opening prayer. Mr. Rajeev Singh, General Secretary & CEO, NDY delivered a warm welcome address.

On behalf of NDY, Mr. Girish Varghese, Vice President NDY & Chairman HPDP felicitated the Chief Guest, Mr. B K Gupta, Deputy General Manager, SEBI – Northern Regional Office with a sapling.

On behalf of BSE, Mr. Jasdeep Singh Kohli, Senior Manager, BSE – Investor Protection Fund (IPF), felicitated the Chief Guest, Mr. B K Gupta with a sapling. Thereafter, Ms. Rajni, of BSE, gifted saplings to Mr. Girish Varghese, Dr. (Prof.) Robinson J. Damor, Chairman, IMS and Mr. Rajeev Singh.

Thereafter, Chairman's address was delivered by Mr. Girish Varghese followed by Keynote Address by Dr. (Prof.) Robinson J. Damor

### **Five technical sessions were conducted by the following panel of speakers:**

Talk on Investor Awareness by Mr. B K Gupta, Deputy General Manager SEBI – Northern Regional Office  
Focus on Depository Functions by Mr. Harbinder Singh Sokhi (Manager, Central Depository Services Limited – CDSL)  
Overview of Securities Market by Mr. Jasdeep Singh Kohli (Senior Manager, BSE – IPF)  
Brief on Complaints & Redressal by Mr. Poonam Chand (Associate Manager, Department of Investor Services, BSE)  
Demo of Market Trading Terminal by Mr. Yasharth Srivastava (Deputy Manager, BSE)

The interactive sessions were focussed on imparting technically correct investment strategies for investors in Indian Securities Markets. They highlighted the regulatory framework and mechanisms available for various investment related issues. The audience took keen interest and speakers answered Q&A's during the seminar.

The seminar concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. (Prof.) Vikas Mehra, Director IMS.





## Independence Day Celebration

YMCA Public School marked the 77th Independence Day with a vibrant and memorable celebration on 14 August 2024. The event was graced by the esteemed General Secretary and CEO of New Delhi YMCA Mr. Rajeev Singh, who served as the Chief Guest for the occasion.

The day commenced with the traditional flag-hoisting ceremony. The Chief Guest, accompanied by the school Principal and AGS Mr Feroze Khan unfurled the national flag, symbolising the spirit of freedom and unity.

The ceremony was conducted with the utmost reverence, and the National Anthem was sung with patriotic fervour by the students and staff. Following the flag-hoisting, the celebration continued with a colourful cultural program. The students showcased their talents through a series of performances including patriotic songs, dance routines, and skits. Each performance reflected the rich cultural heritage and the ideals of independence, resonating with the audience and enhancing the spirit of the occasion.

The cultural program was well-received and appreciated by the attendees, including the Chief Guest, who praised the students for their outstanding performances and their enthusiasm. The event successfully instilled a sense of pride and patriotism among the participants and the audience.

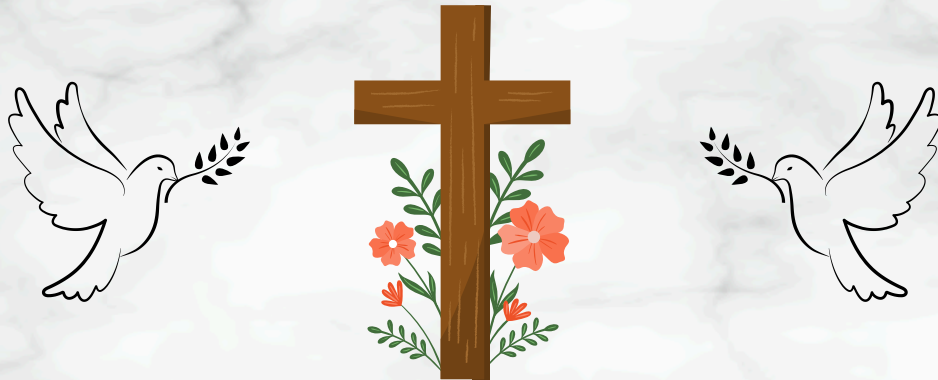
The day concluded with a vote of thanks, where the Principal acknowledged the efforts of the organising committee, teachers, and students. The celebration left a lasting impression on everyone, reinforcing the values of freedom and unity.

Overall, the Independence Day celebration at YMCA Public School was a grand success, embodying the essence of the national holiday through meaningful and engaging activities





# OBITUARIES



*...and the dust returns to the ground it came from, and the spirit returns to God who gave it.  
-Ecclesiastes 12:7*

- Mr Vijji Panangat (NDY Member) lost his Mother Mrs Lucy George on 7/7/2024.
- Mr Rakesh Jacob (NDY Member) lost his younger brother Mr Anup Jacob on 10/7/2024.
- Mr Solomon Singh (NDY Member) lost his daughter Srishtie Solomon Singh (18 yrs) on 13/7/2024 .
- Mr. Rocky Smith, NDY Member lost his father Mr. Gladwin Smith on 29/07/2024.
- Air Marshal Denzil Keelor PVSM, KC, AVSM, VrC former President of New Delhi YMCA passed away on 28/08/2024.

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