



GENERAL SECRETARY & CEO SPEAKS



NEW DELHI YMCA
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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

Jaisingh Road is back to life again with hundreds of people visiting the YMCA for multiple interests. Young boys and girls rushing to Education Centre and Cultural Center to explore options available to upgrade their academic interests in Management, IT, Media, Fashion Technology, Hotel Management, Catering, and many more skill development programs. The sight of young people occupying garden benches and lawns filling the application form or waiting for their turn for a counseling session was missing for the past 16 months.

As One walks across through the cultural center to the sports complex and comes across young boys and girls learning Volleyball & Basketball, warming up for Lawn Tennis, spending time in the Gymnasium to keep themselves physically fit, enjoying a swim in the sultry humid weather, and teenage boys and girls either carrying a Guitar or a Keyboard to learn music. The sound of the Piano and Violin and the beats of Drums at Y School of Music, make New Delhi YMCA a joyous & happening place.

As the hospitality industry has started looking up, it is heartening to see the Tourist Hostel "A Home from Home" is a busy place with encouraging 50 % occupancy and people spending time over a cup of coffee or a delicious meal in the cool and very impressive dining hall gives you a feeling that New Delhi YMCA is back.

A plantation drive on Jai Singh Road, a training program for professional lifeguards, and a two days conference to reflect upon the need for a purpose-driven leadership plan to take forward the Northern Region of YMCAs and a Free Medical Camp in collaboration with Hamdard Institute of Medical Science & Research, brings NDY Jaisingh Road to life after a 16-month lockdown.

Besides the above, It was disheartening to know about the sad demise of Mr. Basil Egbert, Former General Secretary of New Delhi YMCA. I request you all to keep the bereaved family in prayers while they go through this difficult time.

Continue to Pray for New Delhi YMCA and its Mission.

Mark

Dear Friends and Members of the NDY,

Greetings in His precious name!

Congratulations and many thanks for the successful holding of the AGM 2021! In many years, for the first time, the required quorum was achieved even before the scheduled starting time. It was also encouraging to see the members sharing their appreciation as well as their concerns. The issue of membership was also highlighted which is already being brain-stormed by the Board.

Meanwhile, steadily we are picking up with all the activities and are happy to share that the business is catching up fast, across all sectors. And we hope that this trend continues.

Please continue to keep New Delhi YMCA in your Prayers.

Finally, wishing all the very best to Mr. Ian Goodwin, who completes a long journey with the NDY on 30th September. May God continue to bless him and his family.

Regards and God bless!

Jovial Vaghela





Celebrating Ian Goodwin's Birthday

CAKE CUTTING & LUNCH FELLOWSHIP



Ian Goodwin's Farewell Ceremony

REMINISCING THE GLORIOUS CAREER OF "THE CHIEF"



On 28th September 2021, Mr. Ian A. Goodwin Associate General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA celebrated his birthday. The New Delhi YMCA family celebrated this joyous occasion with prayers and fellowship. May God bless him and his family. The Fellowship lunch was organized by the Secretary Cadre under the leadership of Mr. Mark Clive, General Secretary & CEO, New Delhi YMCA. 30th October 2021 was a day of mixed feelings when Mr. Ian Goodwin, Associate General Secretary, after a long service of 38 years at the New Delhi YMCA finally hung his gloves. The day when the New Delhi YMCA family with a smile on their faces and tears in their hearts came together to celebrate and honour the dedication, compassion & excellent service of Mr. Ian Goodwin. The Farewell Ceremony began with a prayer by Mr. Vineet Masih, Senior Secretary, NDY followed by Tributes by NDY President, Mr. Jovial Vaghela, Mr. Mark Clive, GS & CEO, Vice President, Mr. Aloke Michyari, Mr. J A Benjamin, Former GS & CEO and Mr. Noel Phillips, AGS, NDY. The Felicitation was done by Mr. Jovial Vaghela, Mr. Girish Varghese, Vice President, and Mr. Mark Clive, GS & CEO. Mr. Ian Goodwin shared his Farewell Speech which was followed by a Vote of Thanks by Mr. Feroze Khan, Secretary, NDY, and a Closing Prayer by Mr. Gladwin all Senior Secretary, NDY. The Program was conducted and hosted by Mr. Rajeev Singh, AGS, NDY.

Vriksharopan Samaroh

TREE PLANTATION INITIATIVE BY STUDENTS & YOUTH COMMITTEE

"I AM THE VINE; YOU ARE THE BRANCHES. IF ANYONE REMAINS IN ME AND I IN THEM, THEY WILL BEAR MUCH FRUIT" - JOHN 15:5



"Conservation is the State of Harmony between Men and Land"
- Aldo Leopold

The New Delhi YMCA Students and Youth Services Committee organized and observed a tree plantation drive on the crisp sunny morning of 23rd September 2021. The Students and Youth Committee along with the Board of Directors, NDY President, Vice Presidents, GS & CEO, Staff members of NDY gathered and launched a tree plantation drive at the HPDP Education Centre. The occasion was graced by the presence of Mr. Jovial Vaghela, President, NDY, Mr. Girish Varghese & Mr. Alope Michyari, Vice Presidents, NDY, Mr. Mark Clive, GS & CEO, NDY, Mr. Ian Goodwin, Former Associate General Secretary, along with NDY Board Members including Mr. Vijay Russel and Mr. Sandeep Arora and Members of the Committee viz Mr. Rajan David, Mr. Alec Lal, and Mr. Sarthak Tunious and NDY Executives; Mr. Ranjan Paul, Mr. Rajdeep Bhagat, and Ms. Vandana Washington. The Program began with a word of prayer offered by Mr. Gladwin Lal, Senior Secretary, NDY. All the Dignitaries and NDY Members participated in planting trees in an effort towards ecological sustainability and social welfare. The Tree Plantation Drive was concluded with a Closing Prayer offered by Mr. Ashish Clifton, Secretary, NDY.



Northern India Region of YMCA's

REGIONAL CONFERENCE 2021
"SET APART & CHOSEN FOR
HIS PURPOSE"



Hosted by the New Delhi YMCA, the Annual Regional Conference and the Regional Council Meeting 2021 of the North Indian Region of YMCAs was held on 25th September 2021 at the New Delhi YMCA Tourist Hostel. Based on "Deuteronomy 4:2", the theme of the conference was "Set Apart & Chosen for His Purpose". Thirty-Eight (38) delegates from Nine YMCA's of the North Indian Region participated in the two-day conference.

The Conference started with devotion and songs of worship conducted by Mr. Bhen Samson and NDY Secretaries Mr. Gladwin Lal, Mr. Vineet Masih, Mr. Ashish Clifton, and Mr. Sagar Paul. During the inaugural service, Mr. Jovial Vaghela President of New Delhi YMCA extended his warm greetings and welcomed the delegates. Mr. Stephen Da Costa, Chairman North Indian Region, also welcomed the delegates with his greetings.

The Chief Guest Mr. Anand Pillai, Managing Director of Leadership Matters, in his online keynote address (via zoom), emphasized the fact that in order to make the YMCA movement viable, we should have a clear mission and be passionate enough towards the purpose, for as responsible leaders, we are called to serve the community and society. Mr. Mark Clive, GS & CEO, NDY conducted an elaborate session and highlighted key factors of the "Existence of YMCA's". This session was moderated by Mr. Peter Prem, Personnel Committee, National Council of YMCA's. The inaugural service concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Bhen Sampson, Regional Secretary, and Closing Prayer by Mr. Nikhil Banerjee, Treasurer of the New Delhi YMCA.

The second session was conducted by Mr. Sundersing Barnabas, Secretary Movement Strengthening, NCYL on "Membership Enrichment & Movement Strengthening". Mr. Aloke Michyari, Vice President, NDY, moderated the session. The third session was a presentation on "Programmes" by Mr. Bhen Samson. He highlighted the meaning and description of the elements of programmes, with their objectives and how we can plan and execute the programmes that are derived from the mission statement of the YMCA where members and the community need to be perpetually involved. The day concluded with a sumptuous dinner by New Delhi YMCA.

On 26th September Sunday, the concluding day started with devotion by Mr. Gladwin Lal, Senior Secretary New Delhi YMCA and was led by Mr. Abhishek Charan, Hon. Secretary, Faridpur YMCA. This was followed by YMCAs presenting their activities report for the year 2020 - 2021, during the lockdown. The Regional Council Meeting concluded with a Vote of Thanks proposed by Mr. Bhen Samson, Regional Secretary and the closing prayer by Mr. Ian Goodwin, Associate General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA.



NDY Free Medical Camp

GENERAL CHECK-UP & DIAGNOSIS FOR STAFF & MEMBERS



As we continue our battle against the concurrent waves of the Covid pandemic, it is extremely important that we maintain an optimum level of physical, mental, and spiritual health. In lieu of the same, the PCT Committee organized a Free Medical Camp for NDY Staff and Members on 30th September 2021 at the Y School of Music Recreation Centre. This initiative was aimed at emphasizing & ensuring the social & medical welfare of the NDY Community. A voluntary team of 10 Doctors was deputed from Hamdard Institute of Medical Science & Research. The brilliant medical personnel checked and diagnosed 125+ NDY beneficiaries, including Workmen, Staff, and Executives, and conducted an elaborate procedure that included Blood Pressure check, Height and Weight check, Random Sugar sampling, Oxymetric diagnosis, and Holistic Counselling and Medical Advice based on individual reports.

The Program was Inaugurated by Mr. J A Benjamin, Former GS & CEO, NDY, and Mr. Mark Clive, General Secretary & CEO, NDY. The Medical Camp began with a word of prayer by Mr. Mukesh Daniel, Store In-charge, NDY, and concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Ashish Clifton, Secretary, NDY. The Medical Personnel were felicitated with Mementos & Certificates for their Participation & Support. The Medical Camp was highly appreciated by everyone and this initiative will definitely be re-conducted in the near future.



New Delhi YMCA Public School Hodal



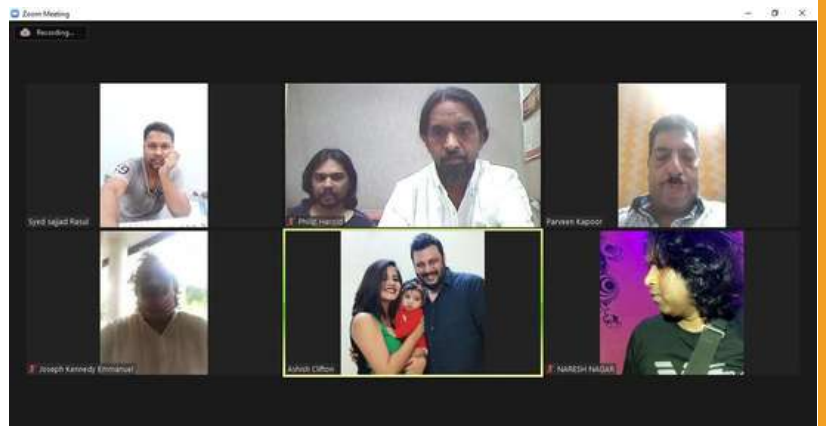
New Delhi YMCA responded to the need for Education in the Rural Sector in Haryana through YMCA Public School at the Rural Community Development Centre in Hodal. The Vision of the school was to reach out to rural communities and spread awareness among the people about the importance of education. The school has provided a platform to the children in their early learning days to build a strong foundation and prepare them for their future. The Focus of the School is to provide opportunities for constant participation in various Sports, Games, and a wide range of Cultural & Co-Curricular activities for children.

In a recent survey conducted by Indian Express; pandemic-induced school closure has resulted in only 8% of the students actively staying during the lockdown and 37% have not attended school in the past year. Even in these changing times, teachers at YMCA Public School, Hodal have tried their best to impart education and follow-up with students through Postal mails, WhatsApp, Zoom, email, and other regular online assessments and have stayed in touch with parents to help them cope up with the new concept of Education.

As the Government gradually re-opens schools, children are happy to meet their friends and resume their regular classes. New Delhi YMCA through its various programs and activities strives to be an institution that promotes academic excellence and intellectual development.

Y School of Music Faculty Meeting

STRATEGIZING & PLANNING
TO ACHIEVE THE VISION OF
Y SCHOOL OF MUSIC



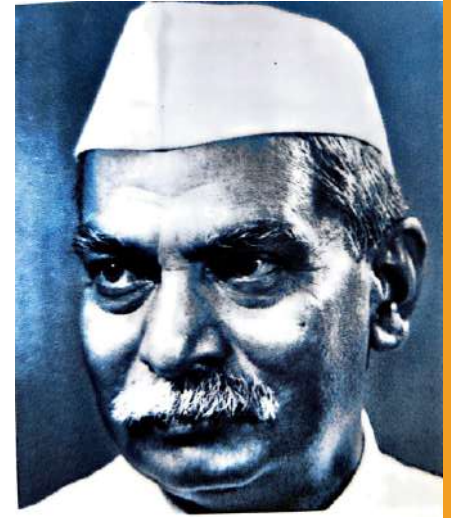
The Y School of Music Faculty, along with the Secretary, Mr. Ashish Clifton, and Program Assistant, Mr. Philip Harold, came together for an Official Discussion after almost a year, due to the adverse effects of the Pandemic and Lockdown. The discussions inculcated various aspects of Y School of Music like Revenue Generation through Online and Hybrid Teaching Systems, Revitalizing the lesson plans and schedules as per current scenarios, increasing the number of student admissions via perpetual Branding & Marketing, expanding the portfolio of the Y School of Music by including additional instruments and Vocal Training Modules, etc. As things are gradually returning to Normal, Y School of Music is on its way to achieving its desired potential through continued efforts to attain the Mission of being the Best Music School in the City.



Did You Know?



Post-Independence, YMCA activities witnessed a quantum jump and the Association attracted considerable political patronage. In 1949, C. Rajagopalachari, the first Indian Governor-General of India, became the Patron of Delhi YMCA. Later, India's first President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, carried the YMCA torch as its Patron.



In Memory of Mr. Basil Egbert

Promoted to Glory on 26 September 2021

Very sad indeed. He had also served as GS Chandigarh, Shimla and Nainital in the late sixties. RIP.

Arvind Noel, General Secretary Chandigarh YMCA



May the departed soul Rest in Peace. Heartfelt Condolences to the bereaved family. Our Prayers are with you.

Jovial Vaghela, President, New Delhi YMCA

Mr. Basil Egbert served as New Delhi YMCA Secretary from 1976 - 1997 & as New Delhi YMCA General Secretary from 1993 - 1997.

Thank you, Mark. Yes, it is very sad to know about the passing away of Basil Egbert. I am told, a couple of months back, he was quite sick due to typhoid. Lately, I understand, he became unwell, and while under treatment in a Ghaziabad hospital, he died in the evening of heart failure. I think, illnesses during old age, if not cured in time, can become life-threatening. I do hope and pray that all is well with you and your family. My best wishes are with all of you. Take care and stay blessed.

Philip Jadhav, Former New Delhi YMCA General Secretary

Thank you for informing me about Basil Egbert, Mark. I am indeed very sorry to hear about this. Not only was he a good and supportive colleague but we both also came from the same city (Lucknow.). If I am not mistaken he started his YMCA career with the Lucknow YMCA. My Father too was at one time Vice President when Madhu Singh was there. He was a true YMCA professional, very good at programs, and good at establishing relationships. Nainital YMCA flourished under him and subsequently sadly diminished after he left. I had heard that he had been unwell and spoke to his wife Vimla just 2 days ago. When he seemed to have been improving. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this difficult time.

Keith Jordan, Former New Delhi YMCA Secretary