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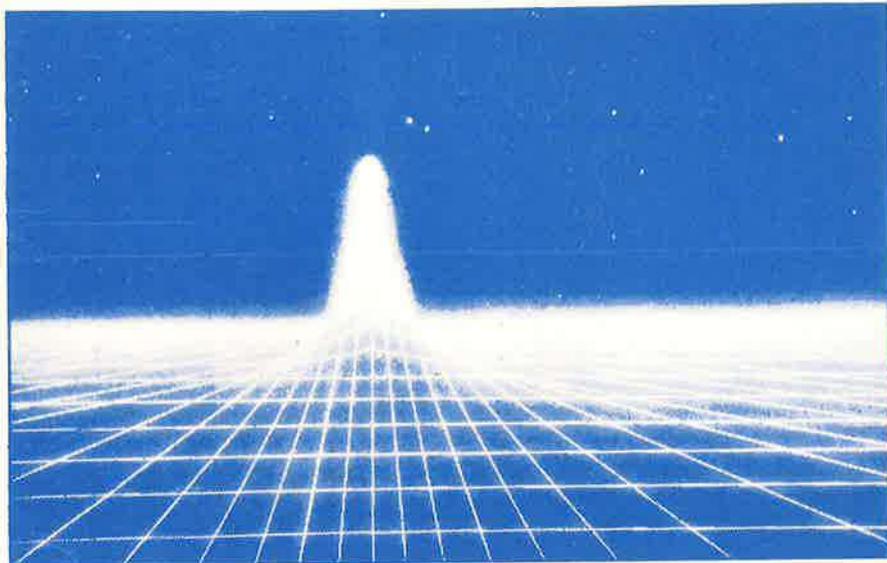
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One of the Founder Members of the Association, he held various positions in the Association and was its Executive President during the years 1997-1999. He was committed to construction of Association's own building for which he collected substantial amount from his kith, kin and friends.

In him Association has lost a tower of strength and members a guide philosopher and helper.

DELHI ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF (Regd.)

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FACT-SHEET

<u>ESTABLISHED:</u>	AS DEAF & DUMB ASSOCIATION, DELHI	OCT. 4, 1950
<u>RENAMED:</u>	DELHI ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF (On Merger of New Delhi Deaf & Dumb Club and Deaf Dumb Association, Delhi)	1977
<u>FOUNDER:</u>	ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF THE DEAF	1955
<u>FOUNDER MEMBER:</u>	ALL INDIA SPORTS COUNCIL OF THE DEAF	1962

VITAL STATISTICS:

LIFE MEMBERS:	1180
ANNUAL BUDGET:	About Rs. 5,00,000/
FULL TIME PAID WORKERS:	TEN
REHABILITATION VENTURES:	FIVE (FOUR CYCLE STANDS) (at Rajghat, two in Connaught Place & NIDC) and ONE SHOP 'MOOK PREETI' at Yashwant Place, New Delhi.)

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

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STATUS:

Recognised and financially assisted by State (Delhi) and Central Governments.

IMPORTANT PAST PRESIDENTS:

Shri I.K. Gujral, Ms (Dr) Sushila Nayyar,
Late Shri Hari Krishna Shastri etc.

NEW PROJECT:

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MANAGEMENT:

The Association has a dedicated and distinguished management. Association's Chairman, **Dr. Bansi Dhar** is a leading industrialist (Chairman & Managing Director, DCM Shriram Industries Ltd.) and is a Past President of Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry. **Shri Rajendra Kr. Gupta**, Vice-Chairman is Ex-Mayor of Delhi and currently Transport Minister Delhi. Others on the Executive Committee are well-educated deaf who have dedicated their lives to the uplift of the deaf.

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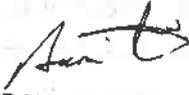
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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

I am glad to know that Delhi Association of the Deaf is organising 49th Annual Day on December 12, 1999.

The Association has been doing commendable efforts for the socio – economic rehabilitation of Deafs. Association's endeavour to build Research & Rehabilitation Centre for the Deaf will go long way in the rehabilitation of the Deafs. We all have to work together in this noble cause of the Association.

On this occasion, I convey my greetings to all the members and wish them success in their efforts for the welfare and development of deaf people.


BANSI DHAR

मानवता का प्याला

(सवेदनशील कवि, साधन सम्पन्न परिवार से हैं - सुशिक्षित हैं किन्तु बधिरता के अभिशाप से ग्रस्त हैं । इसी अभिशाप ने कल्पना लोक में विचरण करने वाले इस युवा हृदय को वास्तविकता ने समय समय पर कटु अनुभव कराए हैं । उपेक्षा की यह वेदना आत्मसात कर इन्होंने दिवास्वप्नों को तिलांजली देकर वास्तविकता से लोहा लेने की ठानी है - उनका यह निर्णय स्तुत्य है तथा अन्य बधिरों और विकलांगों के लिए अनुकरणीय भी)

सम्पादक

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नील गगन में देखा सपना मैंने ॥
ईश्वर की दुनिया में, इंसानियत का झरना होगा ।
प्रेम रूपी नदी बहेगी, बह-बहकर बनेगी मानवता का सागर ॥
नील गगन में बनकर उड़ता रहा हूँ, मैं प्यासा पंछी ।
टूटा सपना मेरा, नील गगन से ॥
दुनिया के कठोर धरातल पर खड़ा ।
मुझे इस पर ही जीना है, परिस्थिति से लड़ना है ॥
नील गगन में पंछी बनकर उड़ना एक भटकाव है
मुझे मानवता को अपने में दूँढना है
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VICE CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

I am happy to learn that our Association is celebrating its 49th Annual Day on December 12, 1999 and a Souvenir is being brought out to mark the occasion. Association's Souvenirs, over the years, have helped in disseminating useful knowledge. Hence these efforts deserve to be encouraged.

Problems faced by deaf are many and varied. It is necessary to create awareness about these problems and their solutions. Souvenirs provide an ideal media for this purpose. I would, therefore, like to see articles from well-known authorities in the field of education and training of the deaf and their rehabilitation workers. I urge the Association to take concrete steps in this direction.

Having completed 49th years dedicated service to the cause of the deaf, Association now enters the golden era. This calls for concentrated efforts on the part of the Association, its office bearers and members, to set new norms in socio-economic rehabilitation of the deaf. I, therefore, conclude my message with the hope that all of us will do our very best to make the Association a true vehicle for progress and prosperity and ensure all round development of the deaf community as a whole.

(RAJENDRA KUMAR GUPTA)

49th Annual Report

Respected Shri Gujral ji, Shri Vishwa Nath ji, Ladies & Gentlemen.

It is indeed an honour and a privilege to present a report before such an august gathering. In particular presence of Shri Gujralji amongst us to day is very significant, also important. Not that Shri Gujralji is any stranger. He had in fact honoured us by heading our Association for a number of years earlier as President. The significance lies in the fact that it is in his august presence that having completed its 49 years eventful existence, Association enters its golden era.

Shri Gujralji's and also Shri Vishwa Nathji's presence today augurs well for the Association. It is indeed a good omen and heralds advent of golden era for the Association. We are now more confident than every before that Association will be in a better position to celebrate its Golden Jubilee year in a most fitting manner and in the process creating many new avenues for the advancement for the cause of the deaf. Therefore, we are most grateful to Shri Gujralji, our Chief Guest to day and Shri Vishwa Nathji who is honouring us by presiding over the celebrations today.

I would be remiss in my duty by not elaborating the role of Shri Vishwa Nathji and Lala Dewan Chand Trust, which he heads as President. While Shri Gujralji's contribution to our Association, nay the nation as a whole is quite well known, let me say a few words about Shri Vishwa Nathji and Lala Dewan Chand Trust to both of whom the Association is equally indebted.

It would not be any exaggeration to say here that but for the timely, also generous financial support of Lala Dewan Chand Trust, Association could not have been able to conduct and sustain its numerous activities. What is more, bulk of contribution to our Building Fund has come from Lala Dewan Chand Trust.

That is not all. Faced with overt and covert attempts by certain parties to mislead gullible deaf to the extent of changing their religion, which incidentally leads to strife and discord in the families involved, the Association was looking for some avenues to counter these movements. It was again Lala Dewan Chand Trust, which came to our aid by providing us with rent-free space and related materials for conducting our Sunday classes. Apart from instructing deaf of impressionable age in significance of their own religions and retaining the same despite allurements, Association also teaches Hindi language so as to improve their power of expression. I am happy to say that results have been very encouraging. Now deaf whether Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs or Christians know more about their respective religions, which they could not have learnt otherwise.

Now with your permission, I will like to list some of our achievements. To be objective, mention of failures will also be made. First of all, I would like to mention spectacular growth in our membership. We are now nearly twelve hundred strong. This makes us the largest organisation of the adult deaf in the country. I, however, do not know whether to rejoice at this growth or to be saddened that more and more deaf are being born. If nothing, it is a disturbing phenomenon and needs to be investigated. In case more deaf are being born, it is time for initiating preventive steps.

The other achievement is that we have had better luck in the field of placement of our members. As is known it is very very difficult to find gainful employment for disabled person these days in the face of surfeit of able bodied in the employment market. This is particularly so of private sector where the code of reservation for disabled does not apply. In a significant break through, Association was able to find gainful employment for ten of its members, majority of whom were girls. All of them were found employment in private sector. What is more, their employers are more than satisfied with the performance of their deaf workers, who are second to no one.

For this singular achievement of Association, National Center for Promotion of Employment for Disabled People rewarded our Vice President Shri Ramesh Mohan Gupta with the 1st Helen Keller Award, which was presented to him by Smt. Sonia Gandhi. We are naturally elated.

Yet another significant development for the better has been the take off of our Building Project. After a lot of hiccups, the work on the project really started. Sadly, the progress has not been remarkable. We blame it on the universal greed of contractors for whom profit is the be all and end all. However, matters have been sorted out and we are now confident that the Building shall be completed within the next few months.

Then too, despite non-receipt/ delayed receipt of truncated grant-in-aid from the Union Government, Association was able to continue its various activities unhindered. We did feel the pinch and for want of funds had to retrench a number of members of our staff. But the big thing is activities continued as usual. We roped in volunteers to do the jobs normally done by paid workers. Obviously such can only be a stop gap arrangement and not a permanent one.

As sports and games form a part and parcel of Association's activities, we were able to hold our own in this field also. This despite the fact that as against our total expenditure on sports promotion aggregating Rs. 45,000 and more all that Association could get was a sum of Rs. 25,000 as grant-in-aid from the Directorate of Education (Sports Branch) Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi. None the less we successfully organised 29th Delhi Games of Deaf at Jawahar Lal Nehru Stadium and brought cheer and sunshine in the otherwise drab lives of nearly 400 deaf child participants. We also sent Delhi State contingents for participation in various National Championships of deaf held in different parts of the country.

Our failures outnumber our few successes. However, our failures did not result from any lack of efforts on our part. Rather these were due to non-availability of funds and or delayed sanction of grant-in-aid. Since our failures are many, it is difficult to single out the one mention of which can be made first. However, by all accounts our failure to remain in the good books of Rajiv Gandhi Foundation which was supporting our Computer Training Center for the Deaf, deserves first mention. It is, however, clarified that our failure was not due to any omission on our part or due to any lack of performance. The fact is, it was stipulated that we will ensure gainful employment for all of our trainees after completion of their training. No time frame was stipulated. However, support was withdrawn just after one year as we could find employment only for four out of sixteen trainees within the very first year.

Our failure to secure timely and adequate grant-in-aid from the Central Government, despite recommendations of the State Government was also a major failure. We tried our best but the gordian knot of red tape proved too tough for us to cut down. What is more, in spite of our having pleaded the cause in person as well as through numerous petitions, we could not get construction grant sanctioned or released. Since construction has already commenced, funds are urgently needed.

Try as best as we could, we could not add a single volume to our Library not only during the year under review but during the past couple of years. Paucity of funds was the main culprit. Books are deaf people's best friends. We therefore, used these in maximum numbers particularly those, which are well illustrated. The same applies to our Reading Room. Resources crunch did not permit us either to subscribe to new periodicals or to increase the numbers of periodicals purchased.

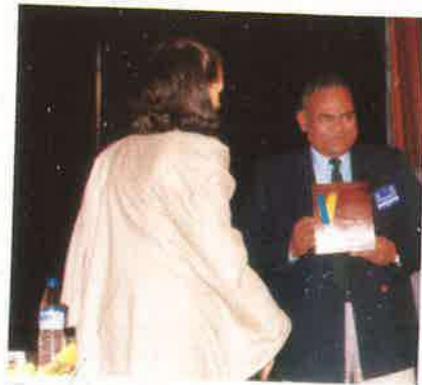
We have been trying to build up our own resources bases so as to end dependence on Government aid or public charity. Only if we can be allotted some parking places for vehicles at nominal license fee, we can hope to be self-supporting. It however, appears to be a wishful thinking because Government, public sector units, local bodies, all have become money minded and auction such places to the highest bidder.

We naturally have big plans for the future. Our dream project Research & Rehabilitation Center for the Deaf holds great promise. Provided we can get grants or raise resources and strengthen our placement cell, we can help our hundred odd members who are in an urgent need of gainful employments. Alas, there is no end to these ifs and buts.

I will now cut the litany of our woes short and for a change acknowledge the debt of gratitude that Association owes to its patrons. For a beginning, I can mention Shri N.N.Vohra, Director India International Center who has allowed us free use of the Auditorium today. Our bankers, State Bank of India and ANZ Grindlays Bank p.l.c. have also been most helpful. We have also had the honour to receive donations from a few persons notably Shri L.K.Malhotra and Shri Gian Chand Sehgal, May God increase their tribe. We also owe a debt of gratitude to our Advertiser Patrons. Some of them have been helping us regularly. We are beholden to all of them. Last but not the least we also owe a debt of gratitude to you ladies and gentlemen who have left the warm comfort of homes to be with us on this cold night. So I say thank you to all of you.

Shri Ramesh M. Gupta

Shri Ramesh M. Gupta, Vice President of Association receiving 1st Helen Keller Award from Smt. Sonia Gandhi.



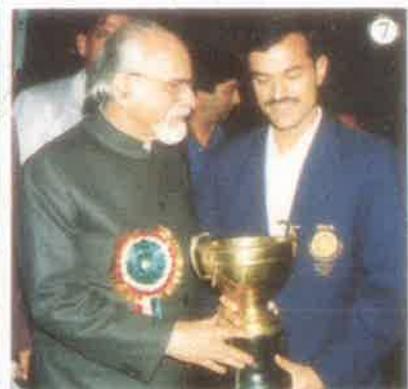
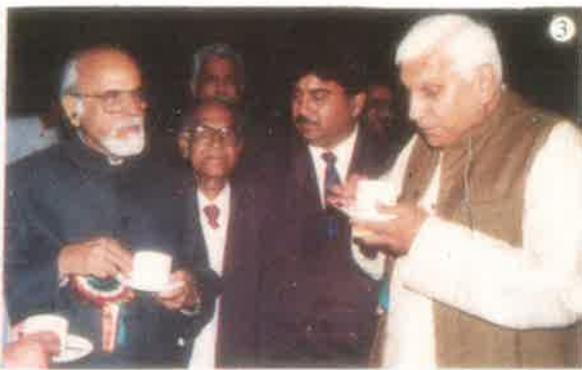
Group photo of 1st Helen Keller Awardees



Shri Ramesh M. Gupta, a redoubtable crusader for the rights of disabled persons and a go getter of repute was selected for 1st Helen Keller Award by the National Center for Promotion of Employment for Disabled Persons. Shri Gupta improved upon his earlier record by finding gainful employment for six deaf women within the shortest possible time and has found gainful employment for another thirty deaf persons. A National record by all counts.

Himself deaf, Shri Gupta uses his charm and persuasive skills to win over reluctant employers. He has been helping the deaf people not only in finding gainful employment but in a hundred different manners. Always ready to help, he has dedicated his life to the cause of the Deaf who have high hopes in him.





1. Shri I.K.Gujral addressing the assembly.
2. A photo of dais.
3. Shri Gujral, Shri Rajendra Gupta enjoying a cup of coffee.
4. Shri Rajendra Gupta, Vice Chairman delivering address of welcome.
5. A view of assembled guests.
6. Shri Vishwa Nath, President, Lala Dewan Chand Trust addressing the assembly.
7. Shri Gujral presenting Best Sports man Trophy to Shri Paramjeet Singh.
8. A memento being presented to Shri Gujral.
9. Shri I.N.Chopra, Executive President presenting memento to Shri Vishwa Nath.
10. Shri Dhananjai Bansal receiving P.N. Gupta Trophy for Best Sports Promotor
11. Artistes putting up a dance.
12. A view of Mime Drama.
13. Shri Gujral with dramatic artistes.
14. Shri Gujral being seen off.

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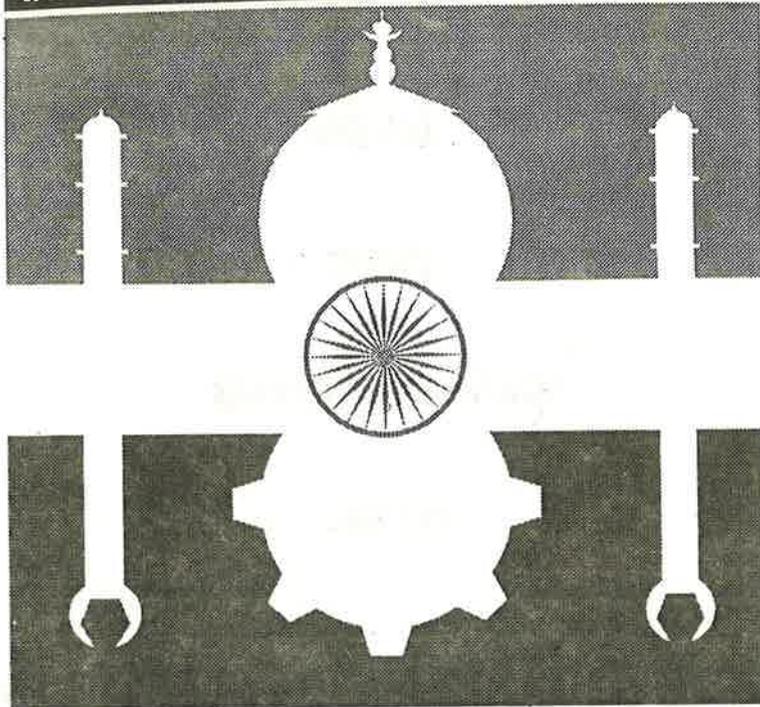
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