



GLOBAL AID

Ability in Disability



Global AID in its endeavour to serve the community has ventured into different projects in the year 2014-15 like Wheel chair distribution to disabled, Publication of Global AID News letter, providing solar light to tribal hamlets, conducting wheelathon rally, screening of movie on Disability theme Minugurulu on the eve of International Day of People with Disability, Sale of Dry Fruit Laddus to support towards the economic cause of Physically challenged women.

Any good news or celebration begins with a sweet in India. Sweets occupy a prominent place in Indian households, be it a birthday party, festival or a grand wedding. Global AID which constantly works to bring sweetness in the lives of many has sold healthy dry fruit sweets made by physically challenged women to support for their economic causes. These sweets are made without sugar and using 7 types of organic dry fruits. The sale was a success and was able to secure orders from nook and corner of India.

Media serves the information needs of people and Global AID with an aim to spread information to disabled has published its Monthly Newsletter Global AID Times in February 2015. Parakala Prabhakar (Media Advisor, AP Government) has released the first edition in a programme organized in Visakhapatnam. Mavuri Venkata Ramana (CEO, CMR) and Prof. Bala Mohan Das (Former VC of Nagarjuna University) has graced the occasion. This News letter was published by the disabled professionals for the benefit of disabled sections of society.

No Organization can sustain unless it focuses its vision towards issues that exist in the society. Seminars and Workshops connect people who work in similar fields and help in churning out ideas to build a stronger society. Realizing the importance of Seminars and workshops in promoting ideas to grow Global AID has conducted a seminar on the topic Speak4 Autism at 11 AM College on 30th April 2014, World Autism Day in Visakhapatnam. Ruth James (Mother of an Autistic Son), Pavan Bada (Research Scholar, Andhra University), Shreya Foundation, Sai Jyothi (Autism Girl) have presented their views and challenges of Autism in the seminar. New ideas emerged and promises were made to create an inclusive environment.

Volunteers serve as backbone for Non-profit organizations and they are the soul to run seamless operations. Recognizing the need to expand the volunteer base of Global AID, an online forum was created in the name of Volunteers Ventura and was successful enough to create a volunteer base of more than 200 plus people consisting of academia, students and people from different sectors.

Service will not see light unless it is publicized through proper media channels and Sai Padma, Director, Global AID was featured in a Radio show conducted by TORI (Radio for Telugu People living in USA, Australia and UK). She spoke in length regarding her dreams, her passion behind building Global AID and future of Rural and Tribal Kids.

Service to disabled sections of society being the primary motto of Global AID has distributed wheel chairs to Andhra University V S Krishna Library to enable physically challenged students to move around the library premises without much hassle and it was received by the University authorities with much honour.

Mobility being one of the objectives of the organization, on the eve of International Day of People with Disability Global AID has conducted the first ever rally of mobility in the name of Wheelathon N Walkathon in Vizag. More than 100 tri wheel scooters and 55 cars took part in the rally that was conducted on the Beach Road.

Darkness is the scariest aspect in Life and there were many villages living in Dark even in the age of Globalization. Global AID has also entered into the arena of providing light to tribal hamlets on the eve of The International year of Light and Light-based technologies (2015) in partnership with Lions Trust and Liter of Light (Bangalore). Solar lighting was installed in three villages ((Konda Ippala Valasa, Sangamguddi Valasa & neighbouring hamlet) of tribal pockets of Vizianagaram District, Andhra Pradesh, India). This helped villagers protect themselves from wild creatures like snakes and harmful insects, enabled night studies for children, night play for kids and above all freedom from darkness. 23 street lights have been installed through this initiative.

Life without mobility is not so easy to lead for the sufferers as well as for care providers. Five children suffering from cerebral palsy and five differently-abled persons were given away wheelchairs at a programme organised by Global Aid in association with PVR Trust and Asha Jyothi of the U.S. Most of the beneficiaries came from Vizianagaram, Cheepurupalli, Atchutapuram, and Pendurti to collect the aids, which were specially designed for those affected by cerebral palsy.

Besides being able to move around, children can stand and walk around with the help of CP chair by making a few adjustments. Five CP chairs, each costing Rs.11,000, and five active chairs, each costing Rs.10,000, were distributed at the programme.