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In Presence of

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Launching Ceremony of Social Work Week: A Curtain Raiser
Date: 15th March, 2015  Time: 11.30 – 12.30 PM  Venue: RGNIVD, Chandigarh

Release of Special Cover on World Social Work Day
and Cancellation Ceremony
Date: 17th March, 2015  Time: 11.00 – 12.00 PM  Venue: Raj Bhawan, Haryana

An Exhibition & talk on Encountering Climate Change
By The Climate Reality Leaders (Al Gore mentored)
Date: 18th March, 2015  Time: 01.00 – 02.00 PM  Venue: Polytechnic -10, Chandigarh

Painting Competition on
Promoting the Dignity and Worth of People
Date: 19th March, 2015  Time: 01.00 – 02.00 PM  Venue: CDCL, Chandigarh

An Awareness Session on
Promoting Professional Social Work Education
for Urban Poor Women Functionaries of Community Networks
Date: 20th March, 2015  Time: 11.00AM – 3.00 PM  Venue: CDK -25

Two Day Orientation Programme -cum- Workshop on
Social Work Profession in the Era of Global Development:
Issues & Challenges
To Coincide World Social Work Day-2015
Date: 21st -22nd March, 2015  Time: 09.00 – 5.00 PM  Venue: RGNIVD, Chandigarh

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वर्ष हर्ष का विश्वास है कि ‘विश्व समाज कार्य दिवस’ 17 मार्च, 2015 के उपलक्ष्य में ‘प्रोफेशनल सोशल वर्कर्ज एन्ड डिवलपमेंट प्रोजेक्टिंग एसोसिएशन’ डाक दिनागाह चंडीगढ़ के सीजन से व्यावसायिक समाज कार्य शिक्षा और संस्कृति विकास पर ‘दिशा डाक आवाज़’ जारी कर रही है। यह संस्था अन्य विभागों के साथ मिलकर समाज कार्य शिक्षा के प्रचार-प्रसार के दृष्टिगत संताप भर चलने वाली गतिविधियों- 'व्यावसायिक समाज कार्य शिक्षा' पर दो-दिवसीय कार्यशाला, डाक-टिकट प्रदर्शनी तथा पोस्टर मेकिंग कम्पीटीशन आदि कार्यक्रमों का आयोजन भी कर रही है।

आज समाज एवं राष्ट्र के दिकाय में ऐसे संगठनों की गहरी आवश्यकता है जो निर्द्वारिक भाव से पूर्ण निष्ठा, इंतजारी एवं प्रतिवेदनीय के साथ दुःखों को समाज कल्याण के क्षेत्र में सहायता एवं गतिस्थूल के लिए प्रोत्साहित करें। निर्देश, प्रोफेशनल सोशल वर्कर्ज एन्ड डिवलपमेंट प्रोजेक्टिंग एसोसिएशन इस दिशा में व्यावसायिक रूप से प्रयोगात्मक शोध एवं गहन अध्ययन के आधार पर सम्बन्धित किमान एवं नीति निर्धारक एजेंसियों को सुझाव देने के लिए प्रयाससत्र एवं कृत संकल्प है।

समाज कार्य शिक्षा के प्रचार-प्रसार में संगठन की इस अनूठी पहल के लिए मेरी अदार्दिक शुभकामनाएं।

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Message

I feel happy to know that the World Social Work Week (17-22 March, 2015) is being celebrated in the city for the first time to coincide the World Social Work Day on 17th March, 2015 by the Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP). It is a matter of pride that the APSWDP is also commemorating 70 years of UNESCO celebrations with joint collaboration of Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Regional Centre Chandigarh, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), Regional Centre, Chandigarh & Union Bank of India, Regional Office, Chandigarh.

The initiatives taken up by the APSWDP in regard to Promotion of Social Work Education for Sustainable Development is commendable and I record my appreciation for organizing such a social work week with very interesting and inspiring side events spread over the city.

I congratulate the APSWDP and the associated partners for the success of the entire week and hope that the outcome of the scheduled workshop on Strengthening Social Work Profession in India will certainly put forth the recommendations for reforms and social welfare policies.

Poonam Sharma
Mayor
संदेश

समाज के पिछड़े वर्ग के उपयोग के लिए एसोसिएशन ऑफ प्रोफेशनल सोशल वर्कर्स एंव डेवलपमेंट प्रैक्टिशनर (APSWDP) चंडीगढ़ द्वारा कई प्रकार के जन कार्यकलाप कार्य किए जा रहे हैं। यह जनकार्य गुणवत्ता रहनेवाला तथा विश्व समाज के संस्थान में रहता है। युवा स्तरों के 70 वर्ष पूरे होने पर इसे यादगार बनाने हेतु इस संस्था तथा राजीव गाँधी राष्ट्रीय मुख्त विभिन्न ग्रामों, शेषीन हेड, चंडीगढ़ और यूनियन बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया, शेषीन कार्यालय चंडीगढ़ के संयुक्त प्रभाव से एक कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया जा रहा है।

इस कार्यक्रम का उद्देश्य समाज के दौरान कार्य को बढ़ावा देना है, जो काफी सहायक है। इससे हमारे समाज का समाज कार्यकर्ता तनाव का सामाजिक तनाव का संबंध होता है। मैं इस संस्था तथा समस्त सहयोगी संस्थाओं को पूरे संरक्षण देने का विश्वसन कार्यक्रम के साथ आयोजन हेतु हार्दिक शुभकामनायें देता हूँ।

शुभकामनाएँ सहित

[Signature]

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युवा यह जानकार अति प्रश्नाता हो रही है कि वित्त वर्ष (18 मार्च, 2014) विश्व समाज कार्य दिवस के उपलक्ष्य में इंग्नू क्षेत्रीय केंद्र, कण्डीगढ में आयोजित एक दिवसीय कार्यशाळा में समाज कार्य शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में एक प्रोफेशनल संगठन की जनतात महसूस की गई थी। अभी वह संगठन आयोजित तौर पर 'प्रोफेशनल सोशल कर्सर्ज एण्ड हेरिटेज हंटर्स' के नाम से पंजीकृत होकर समाज कार्य शिक्षा के प्रवास-प्रसार में पूर्ण निष्ठा, ईमानदारी एवं प्रतिभाकल्प के साथ जुड़ चुका है। वर्तमान में समय की मांग के दृष्टिगत संगठन के प्रवास, उद्देश्य एवं आगामी योजनाओं व्रुत्ति ही कारकर रहेगा होंगी, ऐसा मेना विश्वास है।

विश्व समाज कार्य दिवस 17 मार्च, 2015 के उपलक्ष्य में संगठन एक विशेष झाक आकर जारी कर रहा है, जो एक सराहनीय कार्य है। जैसा कि संगठन ने इस अवसर पर संवाह भर चलने वाली विभिन्न गतिविधियों, जिसमें गुणा निकास एवं रोजगार, मानव मूल्य, गरीबी मुद्दाओं, त्याग एवं शिक्षा के प्रवास-प्रसार सम्बन्धी कार्यक्रमों की शुरुआत तैयार की है, निश्चितत तौर पर समाज में जागरूकता लाने का एक सार्थक, साक्षरतात्विक एवं सराहनीय प्रयास होगा।

समाज कार्य शिक्षा के प्रवास-प्रसार एवं समाज क्षेत्र के कार्य की सफलता के लिए संगठन के सभी पदाधिकारियों को में हार्दिक शुभकामनाएं देता हूँ।

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Background of the week:

Taking a first-of-its-kind initiative, Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) celebrated ‘Social Work Week 2015’. The celebration was kicked off on March 17th 2015 coinciding with ‘World Social Work Day’ which marks the magnificence of social work across the Globe. On this occasion of ‘World Social Work Day’, a special postal cover envisaging the sanctity behind the profession of social work in the current scenario was released.

During this week Social work professionals were swung into action to celebrate noble deeds through various innovative social activities. The events witnessed the participation from prominent and credible dignitaries. The highlights of this mega celebration include an exhibition on encountering climate change, painting competition on ‘Promoting the Dignity and Worth of People – Spotlight on lesser Known’ and innovative sessions on promoting professional social work education. Besides, there was two-day workshop on social work profession in the era of global development.

The Association is committed to bring recognition to social work professionals and acknowledge their contribution towards the society. The association is also aimed at promoting the concept of social work education among the youth and enhances their skills so that their potential could be realize to bring change in the society. Outcomes from this workshop highlighted the voice of youth through ideas, recommendations, artistic talent through art work, in form of quizzes and philosophical thoughts.

Programme Objectives:

The objectives behind organizing this week long event were to mark and commemorate World Social Work Week 2015. Few of the key objectives were:

1. To raise awareness of Social Work Profession among youth in the region
2. To build network of young social work professionals and development practitioners
3. To bridge a gap between theory and practice in social work profession
4. To develop operational framework on Field Based Training
5. To link social work academicians, practitioners, learners and employers
6. To award the be bright young social workers and development practitioners in the region
Programme Activities and Events:

Curtain Raiser - 15th March, 2015   Venue: RGNIYD, Chandigarh


During the opening day, the founder members of the Association of Social Workers and Professional Social Workers (APSWDP), representatives of SUNEHRA AAJ, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) Regional Center Chandigarh, Union Bank of India - Regional Office Chandigarh, Society for Promotion of Research Education Aid and Development (SPREAD) and volunteers shared their commitment and affirm on celebrating the upcoming scheduled World Social Work Week 2015 with diverse communities, Civil Society Organizations, Government & Non-Government and educational institutions.

During the press conference called upon by the SUNEHRA AAJ and on behalf of the Association, the convener of the World
Social Work Week-2015, Dr. Sumit Arora briefed about the weeklong activities to be undertaken by the collaborating partners throughout the city from 17th to 22nd March, 2015. Dr. Sumit Arora, mentioned that we need to create a work force of Professional Social Workers so that polices laid down by Government could reach the beneficiaries without any hassles.

During the press conference, Dr. Monica Singh, President of the Association said, “Social problems are deep rooted within our social structure which cannot be eradicated without commitment and negotiation from youth. Our focus will be to spread awareness on Social Work Profession among youth in the region and building a network of young social work professionals and development practitioners. There will be emphasis on bridging the gap between theory and practice. Alongside, we had award bright young social workers and development practitioners in the region’.

Ms. Rekha Trivedi, the co-convener and official spokesperson of the event said that “Social Work Week was designed exclusively for those who are committed to annihilate social problems from our society. We had also celebrated 70 years of UNESCO during the week long activities.” The suggestions and recommendations came up during the festivities was forwarded to relevant and concerned bodies for their information which shall be used for policy formulation or amendment in existing policies.

Background:

The launch of the Social Work Week 2015 was planned in partnership with Indira Gandhi National Open University, Regional Centre Chandigarh and Union Bank of India, Regional Office Chandigarh. While listening to Honorable Governor of Haryana, Punjab and Chandigarh Administrator Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki at Law Bhawan Chandigarh, it was acknowledged by His Excellency about his being a Social Worker and had served NSS units in educational institutions in past. Keeping in view the attributes of His Excellency, association approached the office of ADC in Raj Bhawan to share idea on celebrating World Social Work Week in Chandigarh. The thought on celebrating World Social Work Day and also dedicating full week celebrating diverse activities within the community along with marking of UNESCO’s 70th Anniversary Celebrations was discussed with ADC to the Governor.

Request on inviting founders of APSWDP to launch the programme from the Raj Bhawan was accepted by Honorable Governor.

Picture: H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Governor Haryana, Punjab and Administrator Chandigarh is arriving in the Lounge Hall.
Welcome Address: Dr. Joginder Kumar Yadav, Deputy Director, IGNOU, RC Chandigarh.

Dr. Joginder Kumar Yadav welcomed H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Governor Haryana, Punjab and Administrator Chandigarh on behalf of principle organizers. He also welcomed the representatives of leading partner agencies including Dr. D. B. Negi, Senior Regional Director - IGNOU Regional Center Chandigarh, Mr. Keshav Baijal, Deputy General Manager - Union Bank of India, Regional Office Chandigarh, Mrs. Achala Bhatnagar, Chief Post Master General (Punjab Circle), Mr. Vivek Trivedi, Founder of Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP), official representatives of Chief Post Master General office (Punjab Circle), Raj Bhawan Haryana, members of the association and media.

In his welcome note, Dr. J.K. Yadav shared about the genesis of the association by explaining that the need of such network was felt during an orientation programme organized by the IGNOU Regional Center in March, 2014 in association with a forum of Social Work Students on the occasion of Social Work Day 2014.

Dr. Yadav requested Mrs. Rekha Trivedi to welcome H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki by offering him a Bouquet of flowers.

Picture: Dr. Joginder Kumar Yadav is welcoming H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Governor Haryana, Punjab and Administrator Chandigarh and the august gathering
Bouquet Presentation: Mrs. Rekha Trivedi, Founding Member, Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioner (APSWDP)

Picture: H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Governor Haryana, Punjab and Administrator Chandigarh and Mrs. Achala Bhatnagar, CPMG, Punjab Circle is being welcomed by presenting a Bouquet of Flowers by Mrs. Rekha Trivedi.
Programme Brief: Mr. Vivek Trivedi, Founder General Secretary, Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioner (APSWDP) and UNESCO ESD Youth Representative.

Genesis of the Association:

Mr. Vivek Trivedi, founder of the Association and the UNESCO ESD Youth Representative in his introductory address shared about the genesis of the association. He shared that it was possible due to the motivation and inspiration of global mentors on youth leadership development that we were able to form this association. He briefed that how academician, youth, experts working in developing sector with a common denominator of spreading awareness of Social Work Education & Profession and its strengthening in the prevailing time can equally contribute to society.

Background of Social Work Profession in India:

Mr. Vivek Trivedi shared that how J R D Tata has sown the seed of the social work profession in the country in 1936 by establishing Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) at Mumbai and how it has progressed over the years. He also briefed that majority of national programmes in welfare sector are being implemented by the Social Work professionals viz-a-viz poverty, livelihood, financial inclusion, disaster management, women welfare, child rights, public health etc.
Celebration of the Social Work Week:

Presenting First Special Cover to Hon’l Governor after its cancellation and release by Chief Post Master General Mrs. Achala Bhatnagar:

The first special postal cover designed by Master Gurmeet Singh on the theme of Promoting Social Work Education for Sustainable Development was presented to H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Governor Haryana, Punjab and Administrator Chandigarh after its release and cancellation by the Chief Post Master General Smt. Achala Bhatnagar, Indian Postal Services, Punjab Circle, Chandigarh.

Picture: The special cover on Social Work Day is being presented to H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki and distributed to the heads of organizers.
Presenting Youth Statement on ESD and Seeking Support:

The UNESCO ESD Youth Statement adopted in UNESCO Aichi-Nagoya Declaration was presented and shared to H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki. Mr. Trivedi urged the governor on its implementation in the State of Haryana, Punjab and UT Chandigarh.

Mr. Trivedi also urged in his request to the Honorable Governor that the Social Work Education must be given due consideration in order to strengthen the social work as profession. It will further attract and inspire the youth to join the studies in the social work education and work for the nation development in professional ways with the leading national and international developmental agencies. It will also broaden a base of professionals required by the government machinery for the implementation of the national programmes, he added.

He suggested the following three things to be incorporated in the state under him and also to be forwarded to the PMO and concerned ministries of union government through his office:

1. Introduction of Social Work as subject in Civil Services.
3. Introducing Social Work as a subject from school level like other subjects.
Address by H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki:

H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Hon’l Governor emphasized the need for social workers across the spectrum of disciplines to engage with the youth and empower them. “It is essential on the part of everyone to drive the change that we want to see through education & empowerment. The Government or the law-makers cannot achieve this gigantic task alone, he said during his deliberation.

He also expressed that practitioners and volunteers from diverse fields had come together to shoulder the societal responsibility by share their knowledge and experiences. He particularly praised the role of APSWDP founder Mr. Vivek Trivedi, Global Youth Activist recognized by UNESCO ESD World Youth Conference 2014. He congratulated Mr. Trivedi and committed to forward the UNESCO Youth Statement on ESD which was adopted at the AICHI NAGOYA Declaration by the world body at Nagoya, Japan, in November 2014 at appropriate levels.
The Governor called upon the delegates to take their initiative to Haryana, Punjab and beyond and said that there is a need to invoke the spirit of ‘live and let live’ in the society and get rid it of its ills. He said he would be happy to offer his support for this important cause “in whichever way possible.”

Presenting a Souvenir (Poem on Sustainable Development):

Picture: Dr. Monica Singh, President of the Association at the facilitation ceremony
Launch of Association’s Website www.apswdp.org

Picture: Hon’l Governor while launching the web portal of the Association

Picture: H’onble Governor expressing his thoughts in visitor book
Group Picture at Raj Bhawan:

Picture: Sitting (L-R) Ms. Maneesha Bansal Badal (Director Postal Services, Punjab Circle), Mrs. Achala Bhatnagar, CPMG, Punjab Circle, H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Hon. Governor Haryana, Punjab and Administrator Chandigarh, Dr. Monica Singh President APSWDP, Mrs. Rekha Trivedi Executive Member APSWDP, Dr. D. B. Negi Sr. Regional Director, IGNOU, Chandigarh. Standing (L-R): Dr. Sumit Arora, Mr. Karamveer Singh, Executive Member, Mr. Keshav Baijal DGM, UBI RO Chandigarh, Mr. Pradeep Kumar Aggrawal, UBI, Mr. Deepak Sharma, CPMG Office, Mr. Harpal Singh, Journalist, Mr. Vivek Trivedi Founder APSWDP, Mr. Navneet Programme Officer (HON.), Dr. J K Yadav Deputy Director IGNOU, Mrs. Kamal Philatelic Bureau, Chandigarh
Day 2: 18th March, 2015

A Talk and an Exhibition on Encountering Climate Change by the Climate Reality Leaders:

A talk and an exhibition were organized in partnership with GPW National Service Scheme Unit on the second day of the social work week at auditorium, Government Poly-technique for Women, Sec-10 Chandigarh.

An exhibition was displayed in the gallery of the auditorium by the volunteers of the association displaying Climate Change concept, its impact and solutions to overcome the problem. The exhibition was inaugurated and opened to public by the Principal Government Poly-technique for Women.

Afterwards, the Programme Coordinator of NSS Unit GPW welcomed the Principal, the Climate Reality Corps Leaders mentored by the Al Gore this year namely Dr. Sumit Arora, Mr. Karamveer Singh, Mr. Youdhveer Singh and Mr. Navneet Trivedi.

On this occasion, NSS coordinator said that it is a good opportunity today for the NSS unit of the college that four of the city youth mentored by Al Gore on Climate Change are among them in the college. He thanked to four of the invited youth for planning an event for creating awareness and sensitizing youth on the issues of Climate Change.

Picture: Young students of college in the auditorium
Mr. Navneet Trivedi in his presentation explained the basic fundamental of emission of CO₂ and GHG emissions by recalling the science which we read in school days. He explained all the basic phenomenon of evolution of earth, universe and the natural disasters. Mr. Navneet also explained the science involved in Climate Change to the young students by showing various pictures and documentaries from the Al Gore presentation.

Dr. Sumit Arora in his part presentation stressed on the severity of climate change by discussing statistical information, present facts and put forth a discussion mode among the young audience.

Mr. Youdhveer Singh, a research scholar at Panjab University Chandigarh explained about the The Climate Reality Corps and its mission on creating awareness.

Mr. Karamveer Singh, programme officer with social welfare department in his slides explained various ways to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change in context of local area.

At the end, four of the climate presenters made the august gathering to take a pledge on saving our blue planet.

While concluding the presentation, Mr. Vivek Trivedi, the first climate leader from the city, mentored by Al Gore at Australian Conservation Foundation led The Asia Pacific
Summit on Climate Change at Melbourne in 2009. He shared about the promotion of eco-friendly ways to cremate our loved ones by replacing burning pyre using wood. He urged the young to volunteer for the cause and join a campaign to pledge for eco-friendly ways for the cremation by replacing wood. He shared that for sure, hurdles will be on the way as orthodox religious leaders may reject the idea and discourage electric crematorium which was started just for past 2 decades in the country. He insisted that poor must be informed about the electric and eco-friendly crematorium as these affect the most debit ridden in order to carry out religious rituals.

In the valedictory address, the principal of the college thanked the Association of Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP). She affirmed to take apart all the future activities of the association and invited the association to first flag off any environment led initiative or advocacy campaign from her college NSS unit.
On the 19th March, 2015, a painting competition on promoting the Dignity and worth of people was organized among children from deprived and vulnerable groups. Mr. Gurmeet Singh, young fine artist from Government College of Fine Arts, Chandigarh is a living example of struggle, shared his thoughts, life history among budding children. They were inspired by his life story. At the end, Mr. Gurmeet Singh gave tips on art work and streams of fine arts. He said, “I am living traces of my life with fine art, be it is painting, music and folk art. Volunteers and staff of children home had also joined the event.”
Volunteers from the community and team of students led by Mr. Karamveer Singh organized a community camp in the Sec - 25, Chandigarh with support from Women Community Development Society - 25 to promote social work as a profession among poor and marginalized communities to pick up such studies through correspondence from Indira Gandhi National Open University, Chandigarh.

The representatives of Women Community Development Societies - 25 has kept a meeting in the community and made an outreach with the members of partner organizations to the door steps of the people to identify potential women candidate for joining Bachelor course in Social work from IGNOU.

IGNOU has planned to launch a women specific study center especially for poor women living in slums and poor localities. It was observed during the camp that people from the community uses alcohol, drugs in open and fight with local community people. Violence in the street is a quite common feature. It has created an impact on the studies of girls, who opted to stay at home and leave studies due to teasing and unsafe environment.
Day 5: 21st March, 2015

Two Day Orientation Programme – cum – Workshop on Social Work as a Profession in the era of Global Development: Issues and Challenges

Background:

Following the previous year commitment at IGNOU Regional Centre to organize World Social Work Day every year; a Two Day Orientation Programme-cum-workshop on Social Work as a Profession in the area of Global Development: Issues and Challenges was organized. The workshop was organized in collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Open University Regional Centre Chandigarh, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNVYD), Regional Centre Chandigarh and financial support from Union Bank of India, Regional Office, Chandigarh, Indian Bank, Sec-7, Chandigarh from 21st -22nd May 2015 at RGNVYD Campus, Chandigarh. In the workshop, researchers, faculties and Social Work learners from IGNOU and other universities took part during the two days deliberations.

Welcome Session:

In the welcome session, Mr. Vivek Trivedi welcomed the Chief Guest Mrs. Poonam Sharma, The Mayor Municipal Corporation Chandigarh, Shri. Bikram Rana, State Liaison Officer (SLO), State NSS Cell, Chandigarh Administration and Special Guest Dr. D. B. Negi Senior Regional Director, IGNOU Regional Centre, Chandigarh. He also welcomed all the delegates from various universities, government departments, civil society organizations attending from neighboring states of Haryana, Punjab and Himachal Pradesh.
Lamp Lighting Ceremony:

During the inaugural session, honorable Chief Guest Mrs. Poonam Sharma carried out the lamp lighting ceremony with other invited guests and students.

Programme Overview:

Mr. Vivek Trivedi, while briefing programme schedule, informed that the schedule is participant friendly and designed in a manner to keep all the contributor and participant under great advantage in the programme. Since, the IGNOU’s Social Work programme is primarily based on distance education, learners does not get much opportunity to converse and engage in deliberations on daily basis. Therefore, programme was designed in a way that it was able to able to provide a brief introduction on Open Distance Learning concept offered by IGNOU, structure of regional centre and study centre w.r.t. Social Work programmes.

The programme was also aimed at generating awareness on UNESCO’s 70th Anniversary Celebrations. In view of this, a special session was reserved on ‘Role of UNESCO in Development Sector’ by a research scholar from Panjab University Chandigarh. Since the entire world was rejoicing the anniversary, Association decided to take UNESCO to the youth by the means of quiz and a presentation during the programme.
The programme schedule included sessions on Social Work as a Profession, Areas of Social Work, Role of Mass Media in Social Work, Social Work and Ethics, Role of Social Worker in Community Development and a panel discussion on Strengthening Social Work Profession.

The programme was designed with an outcome based approach so that the suggestions and recommendations can be shared with concerned stakeholders.

**Inaugural Address:**

In her inaugural address, Mrs. Poonam Sharma, The Mayor Chandigarh mentioned that the current era requires professionally trained individuals in welfare sector like other sector that includes Information Technology, Management and Engineering. She said, “I am surprised to see that Social Work Education covers all the possible aspects of Social Welfare including Women & Child, Social Security, Education, Health, Water & Sanitation, Disability, Environment, Labour Welfare, Mental health Correctional and Welfare Administration.”

She forwarded her vote of thanks to Mr. Vivek Trivedi for inviting her and made her think about the theoretical framework of Social Work Education. She also shared that after participating in this workshop on Social Work she has also decided to join IGNOU as a learner in the current session.

While addressing the participants she talked about various social evils like dowry and domestic violence which is still persisting in our society and mainly among young couples in their early years of marriages. It is an act of shamefulness that such social evils still prevails which is deep rooted in our society. She admitted that professionals from the domain of Laws are working in the area to minimize such incidences but with lack of constructive framework within the system, rampant separations and divorces are still witnessed. She acknowledged that there is a dire need of professional social workers who can provide preventive as well as curative measures in Individual Case Work where false cases of dowry may not get filed and same could be resolved by both the parties by adopting peaceful counseling methodology. She asked young girls to develop an understanding by maintaining
high morals under the umbrella of Indian value system and grant equal respect to other fellow humans.

**Address by Guest of Honor:**

Mr. Bikram Rana, State Liaisoning Officer Chandigarh Administration extended his gratitude to the Association for inviting him as a guest of honor. In his address, he shared that Social Work Education as a subject in higher education causes him to remember his assignments under National Service Scheme. The curriculum designed under NSS as a subject is genuine and factual extension of social work education at school level, he mentioned. He was delighted to see NSS volunteers pursuing Social Work Education as their profession through Post Graduation.

In his address, Mr. Rana expressed that our country is looking for credible professionals in the field of Social Welfare Administration to handle various welfare programmes at local, state and national level. The presence of international development agencies in our country has paved the way for such young professionals who have social work background, he added.

**Address by Special Guest:**

Dr. D. B. Negi, Senior Regional Director, IGNOU, Regional Center Chandigarh, the Special Guest appreciated efforts led by Mr. Vivek Trivedi in taking up the concern of IGNOU student of Social Work discipline to the regional centre.

He extended his vote of thanks to him for providing suggestions and idea of hosting joint workshop during World Social Work Week. He said, ‘I am very happy to see that so many partners have turned up to celebrate the whole week’. He recalled the appreciation and support granted by H. E. Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, the Governor of Punjab, Haryana and Administrator Chandigarh during the launch and hosting it at Haryana Raj Bhawan.

On this occasion he assured that all necessary steps shall be taken to ensure effective and rightful delivery of Social Work courses under the regional centre.
Distribution of Awards:

It was for the first time in the region, that two awards were constituted namely Bright Young Social Worker Award 2015 and Bright Young Development Practitioner Award 2015 during the Celebration of Social Work Day in the city. Five Young persons were selected from Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh in both the categories based on their work profile, initiatives taken at local level, voluntary assignments and social change brought by them.

Mr. Vivek on this occasion said that such awards at community level will motivate youth to join social sector. Since the profession is in competition with other disciplines, such recognition was must to ensure their engaged in this sector and also to inspire others in order to pursue this sector.

This year Ms. Nisha Rana, Ms. Jaswinder Kaur, Mrs. Indu Bala, Mr. Abhay Mohan Sharma and Mr. Hansraj were chosen by the panel constituted.

Picture (Clockwise): Ms. Jaswinder Kaur (Mental Health), Mrs. Indubala (Rural Community Development SHGS), Mr. Abhaymohan (HIV/AIDS and Drug de addiction) and Mr. Hansraj (Community Deveopment) receiving awards from Mr. Bikram Rana, SLO Chandigarh Administration and Dr. Monica Singh, President of APSWDP.
During the inaugural session, Mr. Vivek Trivedi presented a postal album to honorable Mayor Mrs. Poonam Sharma showcasing a ‘Cancelled Special Cover’ on the occasion of Social Work Day released by His Excellency Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Honorable Governor of Haryana, Punjab and Administrator Chandigarh during the 2nd Celebration of Social Work Day in the city.

Token of Mementoes to Guests:
Dr. Monica Singh, and Dr. J K Yadav thanked and presented a token of honor to Dr. Bikram Rana, State Liaison Officer and Guest of Honor, Mr. Manoj Teotia, Mrs. Sangeeta Vardhan as Guest Speaker and Dr. D. B. Negi, Senior Regional Director, IGNOU, Regional Center Chandigarh during the workshop.

**Valedictory Address:**

In the valedictory address, Dr. Monica Singh extended her gratitude to the Chief Guest, Guest of Honor and the Special Guest for sparing their valuable time for the inaugural session. She also extended appreciation to all other guest, delegates and students who have come all the way from other states to participate in this two days training workshop.

Dr. Monica Singh also extended her vote of thanks to the heads of all the partner institutions who have provided their commendable support in making this workshop a reality. She appreciated the efforts of Dr. D. B. Negi, Dr. J. K. Yadav, Shri. Keshav Baijal, Shri. Pradeep Kumar Aggrawal, Mr. Stanzin Dawa, Mr. Navdeep Dadwal, Ms. Swarleen, Ms. Reeta Kashiv and Kushal Moudgil for their support.

**Session I: Role of IGNOU ODL in Higher Education: Special Reference to Social Work Discipline- Dr. D. B. Negi, Sr. Regional Director, IGNOU RC Chandigarh.**

In his session, Dr. D. B. Negi, mentioned that the main objective of the Programme was to provide a basic understanding about the theory and operational aspects of Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode and teaching-learning process to teachers and students. He further advised the academic counsellors to take the IGNOU assignment as a social work but not certainly for the remunerative work because in IGNOU work load is
quite high and exhaustive which requires hard work, patience and dedication. Dr. Negi while elaborating the role and responsibilities of academic counsellors, stressed upon the development of study skills and good study habits among the distance learners. He appreciated the efforts of the Association in promoting and publicizing Social Work Education and also assured the collaborative events of Regional Centre in future also.

Session II: Strengthening Role of Study Centre for Effective Delivery of Social Work UG/PG courses - Dr. J. K. Yadav Deputy Director IGNOU RC Chandigarh.

Dr. Joginder Kumar Yadav, Deputy Director highlighted the role of Regional Centre and Study Centres of the University in his session. He shared that Regional Centre is considered as face of the university in the sense that almost all the delivery mechanism including admission, examination, evaluation, material distribution, orientation programs, training workshops and student support services has been decentralized and the entire process is finalized by the Regional Centre. He further shared that study centres are the real place for teaching-learning process which includes counseling, practical, workshops, seminars, project work, assignments and term-end exams. In this way the role and responsibilities of the functionaries of Regional Centre and Study Centre becomes more important in ODL system. He emphasized on the need of quality support services to the students by Academic Counsellors and other functionaries of Regional Centre and Study Centre at large.

Session III: Role of UNESCO in International Development - Mr. Youdhvir Singh.

Mr. Youdhvir Singh took presentation on the Role of UNESCO in International Development. He started the session with a quiz on UNESCO among the participants. In his presentation, he highlighted the following points:
1. Evolution of UNESCO

2. Structure and Functions of UNESCO

3. Role of UNESCO in the affairs of Education, Culture and Scientific Knowledge among UN member countries

4. About National Commission for UNESCO in India

5. Support in Policy Making, Resource Network building

6. Joining and Working with UNESCO

7. 70th Anniversary celebrations across the globe

Participants appreciated this session as they were not aware of UNESCO and its role in International Development. Participants were observed to be very inquisitive to understand the whole concept during the session.

**Session IV: Role of APSWDP in Promoting Social Work Education for Sustainable Development: An Interaction With Founder Members - Dr. Monica Singh**

Dr. Monica Singh in her session on Role of APSWDP in Promoting Social Work Education for Sustainable Development, said that association has been found with a mandate to work in proximity with togetherness, unlocking the inherent potential and building a sustainable network of professional social work and development practitioners by way of promoting social work profession to rural and urban-underprivileged youth, mid-aged to undertake the flagship of development, understand the global trend, be a partner and agent of social change at local stratum.
She shared the following objectives of the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP):

1. To promote social work as a profession through national, regional & International cooperation and network.

2. To strengthen professional values, ethics, standards and professional relationship with the employing organizations.

3. To support social organizations, community based organizations for the promotion of professionally educated and trained social workers participation in planning, formulation of policies, social work trainings, monitoring & evaluation.

4. To strengthen the values of great Indian reformers into social work education and profession.

5. To bridge between the Professional Social Work organizations and Development agencies also including the faith based & Cultural organizations.

She said, there is a new role assigned to professional worker in the field of Sustainable Development; as the global development platform has widen the scope of work in environment, climate change and sustainable development on awareness, advocacy, campaign, technology transfer.

**Session V: Ms. Suparna Saraswati Puri**

Ms. Suparna Saraswati Puri discussed about Social Responsibility through Education. She explained that each individual has some essential responsibilities to perform which can be attained through Education. In her session, she also emphasized on various social problems in which social workers can become an agent of social change.

**Session VI: Dr. Suchet Sachdev, PGIMER Chandigarh**

Dr. Suchet Suchdev marked his presentation on Voluntary Blood Donation and role of youth in strengthening blood donation campaign. He emphasized that youth must participate in such social welfare activities where lives of many could save through blood donated by the donors. He also presented a short motivational movie based on promoting Blood Donation among the youth. His presentation was appreciated by all the participants and guests.
**Session: VII: Role of Professional Social Worker in Community Development**

Mrs. Sangeeta Vardhan, a women activist, IGNOU MSW learner and a founder of the Vatsal Chaya Trust shared her successful journey in the field of community development w.r.t. women development through skill building.

She said that our poverty stricken communities require trained human resource in Social Work profession so that they can implement social welfare schemes successfully in the field without any hassles. She appreciated the efforts of IGNOU for starting BSW/MSW course and shared that it has enabled many individuals to study through distance mode who could not study in their entire life time. This course has given an opportunity to all the field workers an opportunity to learn and enhance their study. She urged IGNOU authorities to open special centre with a vision to enhance studies on ‘Women and Slum’ in Chandigarh for promoting Social Work programme.

It is evident that many people are engaged directly or indirectly in field in social welfare from different domains of society i.e. Politics, Religion etc.

**Session VIII: Panel Discussion: Strengthening Social Work as a Profession –**

During the two days workshop, a panel discussion was organized to exchange views on strengthening Social Work as Profession. The main aim was to evolve some mechanism at state and national level pertaining to Social Work in lines of national level councils on several disciplines like agricultural research, social science research and many more. Availability of graduate and post graduate courses at University level will only provide
In addition to institutionalizing council on Social Work at state and national level, the participants were also passionate to introduce Social Work as a subject in civil services exams and same was shared with Mr. Vivek Trivedi. According to them, it will provide an opportunity to appear in civil services exam with Social Work as a subject and our country will also get qualified officials already trained in social work profession with humanitarian aspects.

Mr. Jitender Lohia, Assistant Professor from Chaudhary Basni Lal University, Bhiwani shared that he prepared for civil services with the subjects that he never studied in his graduation and post graduation. If choice of subjects is available in the subject list of UPSC, Social Work students can appear and can endeavour at making success in the exams and will create a new era in the civil services exams. In a supportive argument, Mr. Vivek Trivedi brought into light that Uttar Pradesh PCS exams has introduced Social Work as a subject and many student from Social Work students are appearing in exams.

Mr. Manoj Teotia appreciated the concerns and supported the point shared by Mr. Lohia and Mr. Trivedi. He said, ‘it will give a new dimension to civil service officers too and will be an additional advantage to the training institutions like LBSNAA, Mussoorie and other institutions in upgrading trainings on various emerging aspects in social welfare domain’.

Smt. Poonam Sharma, Mayor endorsed the discussion thread initiated by discussion panel and added that Social Work discipline must start from school education since secondary level subjects like Social Science, Physical Education, Geography, Languages and others can be learned viz-a-viz social work subject.

She appreciated the momentum led by mobilizing social work professional and development practitioner community from the region and linking the community with other federation.

Session IX: Opportunities for Professionally Qualified Social Workers in Government and Int’l Development Agencies in India and abroad- Mr. Sharad Singh.

Mr. Sharad Singh, a Consultant with UNICEF and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in his session on opportunities for trained Social Workers in national and international development agencies working in development sector shared that the leading agencies require professionals with
qualification of MSW/BSW in the national missions. Since, this discipline covers human resource management, labour welfare, social policy and public policy, social development, social welfare administration etc. , credibility has set to this discipline as trained persons can handle national programmes at all levels. He said, ‘I have seen many youth joining inter governmental agencies like UNDP, UNICEF, WHO, World Bank, ADB etc. and Planning Commission, various ministries in their mid twenties and early thirties join as work force’.

He appreciated IGNOU for providing an opportunity to working class and house wives who could not study due to several reasons.

Session X: Role of Financial Institutions in UPA, Women SHGs and Micro-credit- Mr. Amit Joshi

Mr. Amit Joshi, a professional in government with Social Work background from distance mode shared how he grew from a field level worker to an official level in the Local Government. He added that Social Work discipline has given him understanding of the social welfare system and knowledge on social innovation.

In his presentation, he shared on the following key development areas:

1. Role of Financial Institutions in subsidy linked programme of Union and State Government.

2. Women Self Help Programme, a key to economic upliftment and community development

3. Micro Credit for starting small business.

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Session XI: Dr R K Mishra, Role of Communication and Mass Media in Social Work

Dr. R. K. Mishra in his session on Role of Communication and Mass Media in Social Work has explained why Mass Communication and Social Work are complimentary and supplementary to each other. He stressed that communication is one of the important skills of a professionally trained social worker. Possessing good communication skills will further ensure advocacy and networking and lobbying skills in social workers.

In his session, he shared on The communication ‘bridge’ that relationship provide acts as a vital link – or point of human connection – across two words: the world of the social worker and the world of the social worker and the world of the service user, carer or other person.

Session XII: Dr B S Jamwal, Importance of Social Values and Ethics in Social Work Profession

Dr. B. S. Jamwal started his session on Importance of Social Values and Ethics in Social Work Profession by saying that Ethical awareness is a fundamental part of the professional practice of social workers.

During his entire presentation he not only touched on skills and principles but has also linked ethics and values to it. He referred code of ethics of NASW and IFSW to the participants.

Session XIII: Presentation by IGNOU Social Work Students

A special session was designed for the Social Work learners to present their field work case studies, projects, group work and community organization fulfilled in the field. The session was first of its kind where IGNOU learners were given an opportunity to share their views by speaking, reading paper and making poster and power point presentation.
It was actually an opportunity given to learners to share their field experiences to scale up their skills as social worker. More than 10 social work learners from IGNOU, Panjab University and other institutions presented their field work presentations orally and through power point presentations.

Some of the presented work includes Mental Health, Self Help Group and Rural Development, HIV/AIDS, Rural Health Programmes, Anganwadi Centre, Drug addiction and alcoholism, Women Empowerment, Juvenile Justice, Youth Development, and Poverty etc.

**Session XIV: Strengthening Social Work as an Emerging Profession-Dr. Monica Singh**

One of the key objectives of this two day workshop was to compile the proceedings along with outcome of the two days deliberation in the form of recommendation.

Following the various sessions taken up by the experts from diverse background, cross fertilization of ideas among participants, discussions led to following outcome in the form of suggestions and recommendations:

A. Government

1. To introduce Social Work subject in civil services examination
2. To institutionalize national and state level council on social work

3. To introduce Social Work discipline as Practicing profession like, Law and Medical. Licenses should be issued to professional trained Social Worker by the council.

4. To introduce Social Work as a subject in schooling too at the level of secondary and above

B. IGNOU, Regional Centre, Chandigarh

1. To streamline Field Work course at the study centre by empanelling NGOs, Government Institutions for training purposes to avoid defunct organizations.

2. Certificate of Completion must be mandatory for field work done as per guideline in the Field Work Journal.

3. Induction meeting for Social Work students must be kept separately than an Induction meeting organized by the study centre at the beginning of the session.

4. Group Conference must be chaired by the Field Work Supervisor.

5. A calendar of a session may be passed from the IGNOU Regional Center so that manipulation can’t take place and uniform dates can be decided for assignment submission, field work submission before sitting for TEE.

C. APSWDP:

1. Suggested to organize a Social Work Congress on annual basis

2. Launching a journal on social work areas

3. Initiating some expert and specialized training module for professionals engaged in development sector.

4. Open membership in various categories.


Session XV: Outcome and Recommendation of the Two Day Workshop- Mr. Vivek Trivedi

While getting the feedback from the participants on the role of IGNOU, following suggestions were noted for further reference.
1. There should be proper information regarding different activities of the system and programme through Regional Centre and Study Centre.

2. The Staff (Academic/Non-Academic) should be oriented properly and updated the latest developments and information about the University.

3. Proper Time table (Working hours) of the centre along with the contact details of staff should be put on the notice board of the study Centre.

4. Some reputed NGOs may be empanelled for the Field Work (Journal) so that students could complete their activity properly and on time.

5. Process of evaluation of field journal of BSW/MSW should be centralized and properly monitored by the Regional Centre.

6. Proper record of Assignments and practical journals may be maintained in the study centre and all the grievances related to students should be resolved immediately.

Diploma or Certificate of Six months/One year duration in Social Work Education should be started by the University so that aspirants of social work may afford to get admission easily.

**Session XVI: Open Discussion and Vote of Thanks – Dr J. K. Yadav**

In the open discussion, participants shared their views on the two days workshop organized by Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP). They appreciated the planning and successful execution of all the events by inviting resourceful experienced persons from academics and field work. They were glad to interact with development practitioners as they were the real source of inspiration for them.

One of the participant Mr. Jitender Lohia, Assistant Professor in Chaudhary Bansi Lal University, Bhiwani shared that it has opened gateways for all the participants into the social welfare sector to serve their countrymen. Few other participants from Panjab University shared that the workshop was a blend of academic and development practitioner’s model. It has actually served their purpose and they are expecting such events on annual basis.

At the end, Dr. J. K. Yadav thanked all the individuals associated with planning at the initial stage of this training workshop. Dr. Yadav extended vote of thanks to Dr. D. B. Negi, Mr. Vivek Trivedi and Shri. Keshav Baijal for the success of this event. He also congratulated Dr. Monica Singh, the President of the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners, its functionaries and members Mr. Karamveer Singh, Ms. Rekha, Dr. Sumit Arora, Mr. Amitoz Dogra, Mr. Sharad Kumar Singh and all the NSS volunteers.

Dr. Yadav thanked the officials and staff of IGNOU Regional Centre, Chandigarh, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Regional Centre Chandigarh, Union Bank of India, Regional Office Chandigarh and Indian Bank for providing technical and financial resources.
Finally, he thanked all the delegates who have come from other states to participate in this training workshop.
ANNEXURES

ANNEXURE A: Concept Note of the workshop

World Social Work Week
17$^{th}$ – 22$^{nd}$ March, 2015

Commemorating
World Social Work Day 17$^{th}$ March, 2015

UNESCO’S 70$^{th}$ Anniversary Celebrations

Promoting Social Work Education for Sustainable Development

Concept Note

Background: World Social Work Day is celebrated on third Tuesday of month March every year. This year it falls on 17$^{th}$ March to mark magnificence to Social Work all around the globe. Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is committed to working together to influence various international, national, regional and local agencies (NGOs/CBOs/Institutions/Associations etc.) and to emphasize momentous value and noteworthy contributions by professional social workers and development practitioners in our country. Association is also committed to put forward the Social Work education among the youth of India to understand its seriousness and the need of hour.

It has been noted that since social problems are rooted deep within our society which cannot be eradicated without commitment and negotiation from youth, APSWDP is aimed at celebrating World Social Work Day 2015 by Promoting Social Work Education in Chandigarh during celebration of Social Work Week (17-22 March, 2015) on the eve of World Social Work Day 2015. Prominent and credible dignitaries, practitioners will be invited to grace the occasion during the World Social Work Week
celebration in Chandigarh. This is the first event ever hosted by APSWDP and will be the first of its kind in Northern region. Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is also aimed at celebrating 70 years of UNESCO during the week long activities.

Social Work Week has been designed exclusively for those who are committed to annihilate social problems from our society. Men and Women from all stream of life will be invited to join the planned activities like talks, exhibitions, training workshop and give their suggestions and recommendations which will be forwarded to relevant and concerned bodies for their information and can also be used for policy formulation or amendment in existing policy.

Programme Activities: The following activities have been planned for the whole week:

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**Exhibition and a Talk on Encountering Climate Change**  
By The Climate Reality Corps (Al Gore mentored)  
- **Date:** 18/03/2015  
- **Time:** 01.00 PM – 02.00 PM  
- **Location:** Polytechnic College, Sec-10 CHANDIGARH

**Painting Competition on Social Work Day -2015**  
Theme Promoting the Dignity and Worth of People  
- **Date:** 19/03/2015  
- **Time:** 01.00 PM – 03.00 PM  
- **Location:** NSS UNIT GCG-11 CHANDIGARH

**An Awareness Session on Promoting Professional Social Work Education for Urban Poor Women Functionaries of Community Networks by IGNOU SW students**  
- **Date:** 20/03/2015  
- **Time:** 01.00 PM – 03.00 PM  
- **Location:** CSK, Sector-25, CHANDIGARH

- **Date:** 21/03/2015 - 22/03/2015  
- **Time:** 09.00 AM – 05.00 PM  
- **Location:** RGNIYD, Sec-12, PEC CHANDIGARH

**Objectives:** The objective of the World Social Work Week 2015 celebrations are as under:

1. To raise awareness of Social Work Profession among youth in the region
2. To build network of young social work professionals and development practitioners
3. To bridge a gap between theory and practice in social work profession
4. To develop operational framework on Field Based Training
5. To link social work academicians, practitioners, learners and employers
6. To award the be bright young social workers and development practitioners in the region

**Participants:** IGNOU UG/PG Social Work learners, Staff/Members of NGOs, Government department, development agencies. Participation will be by Invitation only and an advance Registration.
**Registration Procedure:** Interested persons may submit their application (prescribed) for participation in any of our week long activities. For the participation in the workshop on 21-22 March 2015, an application is required to be sent citing participation or presentation with their title of paper/case studies/best practices to E-mail: apswdp@gmail.com

**Selection Process:** All the submitted proposals will be scrutinized by our committee members and a list will be prepared and announced by 10th March, 2015 through e-mail.

**Contact Persons:**

1. Dr. Monica Singh & Dr. Sumit Arora, Convener
2. Ms. Rekha Trivedi, Co-Convener
   Email: apswdp@gmail.com

**Mailing Address:**
Post Box No. 324, Post Office, Sector-11, Chandigarh-160011, India.
Email: apswdp@gmail.com
Website: www.apswdp.org
ANNEXURE B: Guest List at the launch ceremony at Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh

List of Guest

Date: 17\textsuperscript{th} March, 2015

Venue: Raj Bhawan, Haryana

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Other Support Staff from CPMG Office for the ceremony:
- 1. Mrs Kamal (D.A.) Phil., O/O SSPO’s Chandigarh
- 2. Mr. Sharma, Photographer
- 3. D\&N Media News reporter
ANNEXURE C: Programme Schedule

Launching Ceremony
World Social Work Week
17th – 22nd March, 2015
on
World Social Work Day
17th March, 2015

Promoting Social Work Education for Sustainable Development

Organized By
Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners
Supporting Partners
Indira Gandhi National Open University, Regional Center Chandigarh
Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, RC Chandigarh
Principal Sponsor
Union Bank of India, Regional Office, Chandigarh

Minute-to-Minute Programme

Date: 17th March, 2015
Venue: Raj Bhawan, Haryana

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<td>Dr J K Yadav</td>
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1. Office of ADC (M) will be supervising the programme activity schedule.
2. Invited Guests/Representatives must adhere to security guidelines and instructions regarding, punctuality, parking of vehicle, X-ray scanning of personal belongings etc.
ANNEXURE D: Weekly Agenda/Programme Wise Agenda

World Social Work Week
17th – 22nd March, 2015

Commemorating

World Social Work
Day 17th March,
2015

Two Day Orientation Programme -cum- Workshop on
To Coincide World Social Work Day-2015

Promoting Social Work Education for Sustainable Development

Date: 21st – 22nd March, 2015
Venue: Seminar Hall, RGNIYD, Chandigarh.

Principal Organizers

Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP)
Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), Regional Center, Chandigarh

Chief Sponsor

Union Bank of India, Circle Office, Chandigarh

Collaborating Partners
Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, RC (RGNIYD), Chandigarh
Society for Promotion of Research Education Aid and Development (SPREAD), Punjab
Sunehra
Aaj, Haryana
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        Mr. Vivek Trivedi                                                                                                                             |
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| 02.15 – 02.30 PM | Voluntary Blood Donation and role of youth in strengthening blood donation campaign | Dr. Suchet Sachdev                                                                            |
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        - Inclusion of Social Work subject in civil services exams.  
        - Constitution of a National level council on Social Work (ICPSW)- to regularize registration of professional social workers | Panelist:  
        Shri. Manoj Teotia  
        Shri. Bikram Rana  
        Smt. Poonam Sharma  
        Moderator:  
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**22\(^{nd}\) March, 2015**  
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Public Announcement

UBI Bright Young Social Worker Award- 2015
UBI Bright Young Development Practitioner Award-2015

Background: Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) has constituted two awards in three categories to be given to young social workers and development practitioners from the region (Haryana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh). The purpose behind these awards is to inspire youth to join social work profession as career and to spawn their contribution in development sector. Being a welfare state, Government of India has introduced various missions and schemes that are operational since independence under national programmes for the welfare of marginalized and economic weaker communities.

To implement these schemes, our country requires well trained and qualified professionals with strong commitment towards Social Work discipline in delivering the blueprint to beneficiaries. Shri Dorab Ji Tata had established Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) in Mumbai to promote social work education among Indians through advance learning practices. Gradually, numerous School of Social Work has come into light since that time to promote Social Work education in the country.

In this era of Globalization, Social Work education as profession is competing with other disciplines. At present, Social Work education is progressing in harvesting the seeds of this profession with gradual momentum by inspire youth to join Social Work profession.
In order to motivate youth and preserve the impetus within, APSWDP has envisaged constituting two awards for The Young Social Workers and Development Practitioners from the regions of Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh to be given on World Social Work Day. The incitement behind this award is to spur the youth in persuading this profession.

**Objectives:** These awards are constituted with the following goals
1. To fill youth with enthusiasm in choosing a career in social work.
2. To provide young social workers an opportunity to gratify and impute a benchmark for the future generations.
3. To ensure credibility in the social work profession.

**Age criteria: 21-40 years**

**Selection Criteria:** The selection for the constituted awards will be made by a Selection Committee/Search Panel based on the qualification (BSW/MSW and other development studies), work experience, reference from employers/mentor in making exceptional contribution (based on public documents) in the community. The selection process will follow three steps:
1. Submission of Nomination by search panel
2. Scrutiny by selection committee on the basis of verification of documents
3. Personal Interview

**Award:** The selected person will receive a Plaque and Certificate.

**Deadline:** The last date of the submission to search panel is 15\textsuperscript{th} March, 2015 (05.00PM)

Kindly send your nomination to following person in the search panel:
1. Asstt. Professor, Manoj Teotia, Email: mkteotia@gmail.com
2. Col.(Retd.) Ajay Mehndiratta, Email: ajay.mehndiratta@gmail.com
3. Navneet Trivedi, Email: navneet.triv@gmail.com
4. Shri. Harpal Singh Arora, Email: harpalsingharora@gmail.com
5. Ms. Swarleen Kaur, Email: swarleen.kaur@gmail.com

**Contact:**
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Post Box. 324, Post Office, Sec-11.D, Chandigarh-160011
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Website: www.apswdp.org
Social Work Week celebrations set to begin tomorrow

CHANDIGARH, MARCH 15
The Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is going to hold Social Work Week. The celebrations will begin from March 17, which is marked as World Social Work Day.

The five-day workshop will host a number of sessions on social reforms among youth. The highlights of the celebrations include an exhibition on encountering climate change, painting competition on the theme “Promoting the Dignity and Worth of People – Spotlight on Lesser Known and a session promoting professional social work education. Besides, there will be a two-day workshop on social work profession in the era of global development.

Dr. Monica Singh, president, APSWDP said: “Our focus will be to spread awareness of social work profession among youth in the region and build a network of young social work professionals and development practitioners.”

Dr Sumit Arora, chairperson of the Standing Academic Committee and Convener of the APSWDP, said: “We need to create a workforce of professional social workers so that policies laid down by the government could reach the beneficiaries without any hassles.” — TNS
City to celebrate first Social Work Week

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TAKING a first-of-its-kind initiative, the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is all set to celebrate ‘Social Work Week’ for the first time in the city. The celebration will be kicked off on March 17 coinciding with the World Social Work Day.

The week will be celebrated in collaboration with the regional centre of Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD). On the occasion of World Social Work Day, a cover envisaging the sanctity behind the profession of social work in the current scenario will be released. The closing of the week will be marked by organising a workshop on social work profession, issues and challenges on March 21 and 22, wherein seminars will be on ideas of social reforms among the youth in the development sector. The events will also witness participation from prominent dignitaries. Highlights will also include an exhibition on overcoming climate change, a painting competition ‘Promoting the Dignity and Worth of People - ‘Spotlight on Lesser Known’ and a session promoting professional social work education.

Dr Monica Singh, president, APSWDP, said, “Social problems are rooted deep within our society which cannot be eradicated without commitment from the youth. Our focus will be spreading awareness on social work profession among the youth in the region and building a network of young social work professionals and development practitioners.”

Adding to it, Co-convener for the event, APSWDP, Rekha Trivedi, said, “Social Work Week has been designed exclusively for those who are committed to annihilate social problems from our society. We will also celebrate 70 years of UNESCO during the week.”

Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) Regional Centre, Chandigarh; Union Bank of India, Regional Office, Chandigarh; Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD) Regional Centre, Chandigarh; and NGOs SPREAD and Sunehra Aaj will be a part of the programme.
Social work week to be celebrated on March 17

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The workshop will put forth an era of thought provoking and brain storming sessions and cross fertilization of ideas on social reforms among youth. DP
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Social work professionals must engage with youth: Solanki

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A ‘Social Work Week’, on the occasion of World Social Work Day, was inaugurated at Haryana Raj Bhawan by Professor Kapil Kumar Solanki, Governor of Haryana, Punjab and Administrator of Union Territory of Chandigarh. Solanki was presented the first day special cover after it was released by Achal Bharatgarh, Chief Post Master General (Punjab-Circle), titled ‘Promoting Social Work Education for Sustainable Development’.

While addressing the delegates of Chandigarh-based Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP), the Governor emphasised the need for social workers across the spectrum of disciplines to engage with the youth and empower them. “It is incumbent on everyone to drive the change that we want to see through education and empowerment. The Government or the lawmakers cannot achieve this gigantic task alone,” he said.

The Governor said that he was happy that practitioners from diverse fields had come together to voluntarily shoulder societal responsibility and share their knowledge and experiences.
Social work professionals must engage with youth & empower them: Kaptan Singh Solanki

CHANDIGARH: A ‘Social Work Week’, on the occasion of World Social Work Day, was inaugurated here this morning at Haryana Raj Bhavan by Professor Kaptan Singh Solanki, Governor of Haryana, Punjab and Administrator of Union Territory of Chandigarh. Prof. Solanki was presented the first day special cover, that it was released by Mohinder Bhardwaj, Chief Post Master General, Punjab. Concept titled ‘Empowering Social Work Education for Sustainable Development’ was also launched.

Seeking to delegate of Chandigarh-based Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP), the Governor expressed the need for social workers across the spectrum of disciplines to engage with the youth and empower them. “It is incumbent on everyone to share the change that we see in our thought, education & empowerment. The Government or the individual cannot achieve this gigantic task alone,” he said.

The Governor said that he was happy that members from different fields had come together voluntarily to shoulder social responsibility and learn their knowledge and experience. He particularly praised the role of APSWDP, which was launched by UNICEF, which is the body that adopted the world body, in November 1954. The Governor called upon the delegates to take their initiative across the entire world, including nations, states and regions, hence paving the way for the ‘age of love’ in the society, to spread awareness among the professionals, the youth, and society.

Haryana and Punjab Governor and UT Administrator, Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, at World Social Work Day function organized by Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) at Chandigarh yesterday.
17 भाग उन 'चंडीगढ़ 'स महरतन्त्र साहेबा 'भक्त महासच्च गाँध थापा चाला'

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लोकमिहाल अभियान में सांस्कृतिक गैर सामाजिक विनोबा नेहरू जी एक गैर सामाजिक प्रमुख जैसे कि महासच्च गांध थापा चाला, देश की महान सामाजिक हस्तियों में से एक है। वह सरकार के साथ सहयोगी है और देश के सामाजिक और राष्ट्रीय मामलों में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाती है।

महासच्च गांध थापा चाला, जिन्होंने गोंड़ा राज्य के विविध विषयों में जितने भारतीय समस्तीतियों को लगातार सुविधाएं दी हैं, उन्हें इस समय भी प्रतिबद्ध हैं। उन्होंने कहा है कि उनकी अभियान भारत के सामाजिक विकास में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाएगी।

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