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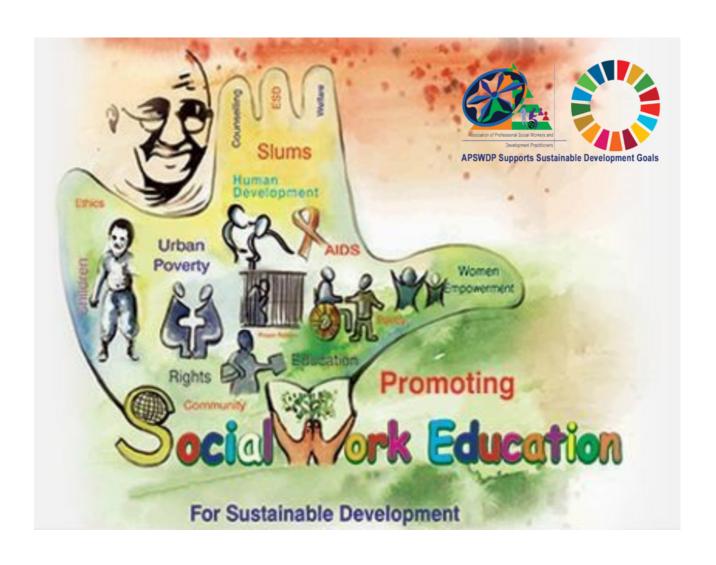




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BACKGROUND AND APSWDP JOURNEY

BACKGROUND

Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is a registered not for profit organization of professional social workers and development practitioners working in various social welfare domain across the country. Social issues like poverty, livelihood, health, education, water & sanitation, unemployment, disease control programs, urbanization, youth issues of de-addiction, and others have covered the whole gamut of government, development agencies, and academic institutions. Since the influx of specialization and expertise has increased over the current decade in the country among implementation agencies, the requirement of trained social work professionals and practitioners is indeed a factual requirement.

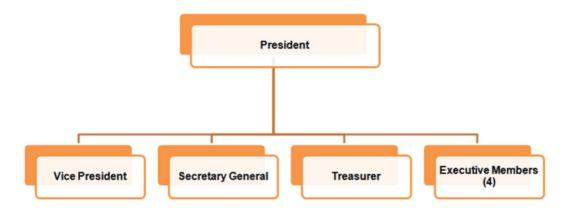
The association focuses on creating a country-wide and global network of dedicated social work professionals and development practitioners from remote geographical rural areas, to discuss, debate, and develop a key framework for evidence & practice-based interventions, and methods. The focus will be to enable social workers and development practitioners all around the globe to share their ideas and work on various development issues. APSWDP will also offer a platform to youth leaders, and scholars/researchers with a striving passion to participate in bringing reformation through correctional measures in existing policies.

GENESIS

Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) was founded initially by a group of professional social workers working in development sectors. It primarily started with a popular online social forum 'Alliance of Social Work & Development Practitioners' on the occasion of 65th Republic Day 2014 i.e. 26th January 2014. The forum productively stretched to BSW and MSW learners of Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) with support from Regional Centre Chandigarh. An orientation program-cum-workshop was organized jointly by the Forum of Professional Social Workers coinciding World Social Work Day and Month for the first time at Chandigarh involving research scholars, learners, civil society, and line departments on 29th March 2014. It was felt during the workshop at the regional center that the forum must be taken to a next higher level by attaining legal status.

On 1st December 2014, World AIDS Day, the online forum received its legal status as an association under the Society Registration Act 1860 as 'Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP)'. The current President, Vice-President, Secretary General, and Treasurer of the association are Dr. Sumit Arora, Mr. Sharad Singh, Mrs. RekhaTrivedi, and Mr. Amitoz Dogra respectively.

FUNCTIONAL STRUCTURE



APSWDP PHILOSOPHY

VISION

To be a state of art inclusive network of professional social workers and development practitioners, APSWDP will showcase a noteworthy role in the promotion of social work education, and evolving practice-based methods, approaches, skills, and ethics through social innovation, proven models, and vibrant social leadership.

MISSION

To achieve the vision of APSWDP, our mission is 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.

VALUES

- Understanding differing ethnic and cultural patterns, as well as the capacity to engage in ethnic-gender and age-sensitive practice.
- Respecting and Welcoming.
- Committed to dispersing social work and developmental leadership at bottom of the pyramid.

AIMS

The broader aims of the association shall be:

- To promote social work as a profession through national, regional, and International Cooperation and networks.
- To strengthen professional values, ethics, standards, and professional relationship with the employing organizations.
- To support social organizations, and community-based organizations for the promotion of professionally educated and trained social workers' participation in planning, formulation of policies, social work training, monitoring & evaluation.

- To strengthen the values of great Indian reformers in social work education and profession.
- To bridge between the Professional Social Work organizations and Development agencies also including the faith-based & Cultural organizations.

KEY OBJECTIVES

In order to achieve the Aims, the Association shall:

- Work for developing cooperation between Professional Social workers in the Country.
- Organizing workshops, conferences, social work forums, exposure visits, research, and field projects for the promotion and expansion of Professional Social Work.
- Work for building relationships between local Social Work organizations & their members to International organizations and bodies.
- Engaging with political leaders, researchers, corporate icons, and technologists in the country with the view to fostering cooperation among Professional Social workers & international issues, including UN organizations.
- Focus on strengthening relationships with professional Social Work organizations in SAARC countries with the view to providing impetus to regional development.
- Establish working relationships between social work scholars, statesman administrators, and corporate leaders in the country.
- Undertake focused area-based studies targeting international social issues with respect to the Indian context.
- Work for innovative development models through Public Private Partnership in the Social Work profession.
- Develop a think tank of Social work professionals so that this can provide solutions & action plans to complex social issues of national importance to national, state, and local government.
- Examine the social work curriculum taught by the universities from the perspective of a professional career with a view to improving the credibility of the Social Work Profession.
- Develop statistical tools and evidence-based indicators pertaining to human development.

KEY PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES

The Association shall strive to achieve its aims and objectives by undertaking the following activities:

- Conduct Training Courses with an inter-stakeholder approach where Social Work professionals, policymakers, and Civil Society representatives are invited for cross-fertilization of ideas.
- Development of Case Studies and documentation of best practices from Social Workers working in various organizations.

- Conduct Research Studies with emphasis on primary research through sample surveys, use
 of SPSS and other sophisticated statistical software, and qualitative methods of research
 including Focus Group Interviews and Participant Observation.
- Organization of Seminars, Workshops, and Symposia for an in-depth discussion on focused subjects: more and more about less and less!
- Publication of a periodical Technical Journal/ News bulletin on the Social Work and Development sector addressing frontier research and critical analytical techniques on the one hand and best practices in difficult existential situations on the other hand.
- Special emphasis on Trainee Assignments in the form of Syndicate Reports, Individual Assignments, and other instrumentalities with a view to challenging the Trainee's capacity to think and imbibe critical knowledge and skills.
- Converting Research Studies into priced publications, monographs, and reports with a view to sharing project experiences and research outcomes.
- Participation in citizens' advocacy campaigns with a view to bringing about actual improvements on the ground.
- Starting of Research Portals for sharing research outcomes with other researchers and program implementing teams.
- Any other work deemed fit by the Governing Body in Social Welfare domain w.r.t any developmental project, international humanitarian context, international tie-ups with educational institutions, international trusts, organizations including intergovernmental and others.
- Initiate, hold, direct, manage, take part in and contribute to conferences, congresses, meetings, lectures, and demonstrations on any aspect of the Social Work Profession and social welfare for the purpose of advancing any of the objectives of the association.
- Hold an Annual Convention and periodic meetings or conferences, CME of members of the association and of the social work and social development profession in general.
- The association can join/partner with any global forum and federation or allied Federations.
- The association can establish its own academy, university, or institute in the future.

THIRD GOVERNING BODY (13th December 2020 – 12th December 2023)



Dr. Sumit Arora President



Ms. Rekha Trivedi Secretary General



Mr. Sharad Singh Vice President



Mr. Amitoz Dogra Treasurer

Key Meetings, Milestones & Outcomes (January 2020 – December 2023)

Year	Date	Decisions/Milestones
	21.10.2023	FCRA registration.
		 Follow-up steps after FCRA registration and online banking.
		FEMA Declaration
		 Submission of Proposal in USAID/Ausaid.
	02.10.2023	 FCRA registration field verification updated.
		Filing of ITR.
		 Compilation of the Journal's first issue for submission to RNI/SDM.
		 Allotment of 2 seats quota in COP 28, Dubai.
		Approval to apply in HSACS for empanelment.
œ.	30.07.2023	 Follow up on FCRA registration after field verification.
2023		 Authentication of Declaration by SDM for Title registration by RNI.
.,		 MOU signing with PSACS.
		MOU with CSACS.
		Nomination of three members in UNFCCC.
		Conflict of Interest Policy.
	02.04.2023	Inspection by MHA for FCRA.
		ITR Filed with Refund.
		RNI Title Approval and MOU signing preparation with Printer for Letter Authorities by SDM.
		of Authentication by SDM.
		Empanelment under PSACS. Provisional Admittance under UNESSS of Chapters
	18.12.2022	Provisional Admittance under UNFCCC as Observer. Following from DNI for Journal Title Approval.
	16.12.2022	Follow up from RNI for Journal Title Approval.
		Filing of ITR. CSP registration
		CSR registration.JAT Visit Preparations by PSACS.
	02.10.2022	 JAT Visit Preparations by PSACS. Opening of FCRA Bank Account.
	04.09.2022	Follow up from RNI and SDM Central office for Journal Title Approval.
	04.03.2022	Approval to apply for FCRA.
		Approval to apply for CSR registration.
		 Appointment of Hon. CEO, Programme Manager and Account Officer.
	31.07.2022	Provisional Admittance given to APSWDP in UNFCCC.
	31.07.2022	Approval to apply for empanelment of APSWDP in Punjab State AIDS
22		Control Society.
2022		 Approval to Composite Target Intervention Project for FY 2022-23 given
07.07		by Chandigarh AIDS Control Society.
		 Accreditation given to APSWDP in United Nations Environment
		Programme (UNEP) and Observer Status in United Nations Environment
		Assembly (UNEA).
		 Follow up from RNI for Journal Title Approval.
		 Approval of Amendments in Bye-laws of APSWDP.
	10.04.2022	Continuation of Mr. Rajeev Kumar as Editor-in-Chief of the newsletter
		The Voyage along with editorial team.
		 Follow up from RNI and SDM Central office for Journal Title Approval.
		 Submission of queries to UNFCCC and UNEP for accreditation.
		 Signing of MoU's with Chitkara University, Chandigarh University,

Key Meetings, Milestones & Outcomes (January 2020 – December 2023)

		E[co]work Association, CBMA, WWSS, RICM, ACCEC, AVVCT.
	26.02.2022	 The signing of MoUs with Alliance Franchise and further follow-up with
		other institutions who have shown interest.
		 Approval of association with UNESCO MIL Alliance.
	28.11.2021	 Successful organization of the International Conference- ICCCMA with
		global partners. New avenues for MOU signing with ACCEC, Jeju.
		Course design on NGO Management.
		 Follow with institutions for MOUs.
		Follow up from RNI.
		 Follow up with UNEP/UNESCO for the association.
		 Opening of Samta Nyay Kendra for TGs with SLSA.
	28.08.2021	 Successful organization of various virtual dialogues, and partnerships
		explored for ICCCMA with ACCEC, Jeju.
		 Virtual Internship with RGNIYD.
		MOU signing follow-ups
		Follow up from RNI.
2021		 Exploring association with other UN agencies.
2		Submission of application for byelaws amendments.
	26.06.2021	Follow up for byelaws amendments.
		Successful empanelment under CSACS.
		Follow up from RNI.
		Establishment of a virtual center for excellence on SWA.
		 Constitution of the forum of global friends of APSWDP.
		Follow up on MOU signing.
	06.03.2021	Preparation of Strategic Plan and Road Map.
		Follow up on MOU signing.
		Amendments in the bylaws.
		Commemoration of World Social Work Day 2021.
		Membership of IASSW.
		Exploring avenues in IR, UNDRRR, UNOSSC, and Diplomacy.
0.	20.12.2020	 Closure of savings account and opening current account of APSWDP.
2020		Commemoration of World Social Work Day 2021.
		Joining Membership of IASSW.

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS ORGANISED BY APSWDP FROM 2020- 2023: ALIGNED WITH SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG's)



The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were born at the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in Rio de Janeiro in 2012. The objective was to produce a set of universal goals that meet the urgent environmental, political, and economic challenges facing our world. The SDGs replace the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), which started a global effort in 2000 to tackle the indignity of poverty. The MDGs established measurable, universally-agreed objectives for tackling extreme poverty and hunger, preventing deadly diseases, and expanding primary education to all children, among other development priorities.

The SDGs are a bold commitment to finish what we started and tackle some of the more pressing challenges facing the world today. All 17 Goals interconnect, meaning success in one affects success for others. Dealing with the threat of climate change impacts how we manage our fragile natural resources, achieving gender equality or better health helps eradicate poverty, and fostering peace and inclusive societies will reduce inequalities and help economies prosper.

The SDGs are unique in that they cover issues that affect us all. They reaffirm our international commitment to end poverty, permanently, everywhere. They are ambitious in making sure no one is left behind. More importantly, they involve us all to build a more sustainable, safer, more prosperous planet for all of humanity.

Source: www.un.org

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS ORGANISED BY APSWDP FROM 2020 to 2023: ALIGNED WITH SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG's)

Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) has organised various programs and events (including seminar, conferences, capacity building and training workshops, community awareness programs, virtual dialogues, and panel discussions), right from its inception in 2014, aligned to the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's):

















APSWDP VIRTUAL Introductory and Induction Meeting for members of executive body

Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a Virtual Introductory and Induction Meeting for members of the third newly nominated Governing and Executive Body constituted by the General Body on 26th January 2021.

In the meeting, outgoing Governing Body Members of the APSWDP welcomed and introduced Dr. Sumit Arora, President, and Mr. Hitesh Kumar Gulati, Hon. Director-General APSWDP to all the members present. Later, the outgoing members handed over the steering of the Introductory and Induction Meeting to the President and Hon. Director-General.

Mr. Hitesh Kumar Gulati introduced all the nominated members of the Executive Body including Hon. Directors, APSWDP Special Representatives to UN Offices and Chief Coordinators (Zones) in addition to self-introduction round. Dr. Sumit Arora, President APSWDP, explained the roles and responsibilities to newly inducted team members. He further explained in detail, how the members can plan, lead and contribute to developing their assigned verticals. He also felicitated a session on identifying key strengths and the expertise of team members in preparing a three-year Road Map of APSWDP.

Commemorating World Social Work Day, Social Work Month and International Day of Happiness - 2021

Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) Chandigarh in partnership with the State Legal Services Authority (SLSA), Chandigarh, Department of Social Work, CBLU, Haryana, and TCRP-India has conceived and organized World Social Work Day (WSWD) 2021, Social Work Month and International Day of Happiness (IDH) 2021 followed by various training workshops for diverse stakeholders on Community Driven Development through convergence under the ambit of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

APSWDP has pioneered in commemorating WSWD for the 6th consecutive year and introducing its first commemoration of IDH in the North region. The main aim was to promote the values of Theory to Practice and Volunteerism to Professionalism.

WSWD is celebrated on the 3rd Tuesday every year and has become a focal point in the social work calendar with social workers all over the world celebrating and promoting the contributions of the profession towards individuals, families, communities, and wider society. This year, the 2021 World Social Day highlights Ubuntu: I am Because We Are. This is the first theme of 2020 to 2030 Global Agenda for Social Work and Social Development. Ubuntu: I am Because We are – Strengthening Social Solidarity and Global Connectedness.

The IDH is a way to recognize the importance of happiness in the lives of people around the world. In 2015, the UN launched the 17 SDGs, which seek to end poverty, reduce inequality, and protect our planet – three key aspects that lead to well-being and happiness. The resolution was initiated by Bhutan, a country that recognized the value of national happiness over national income since the early 1970s and famously adopted the goal of Gross National Happiness over Gross National Product.

The Social Work Month has been kicked off at Chandigarh under the auspices of SLSA, U.T., Chandigarh, and TCRP-India on 13th March 2021 at Judicial Academy, Chandigarh.

During the inaugural, Shri Mahavir Singh, Member Secretary, SLSA, said that there is a great need to network and develop linkages with Stakeholders in order to ensure Community-Driven Development.

Shri Vikas Verma, Regional Head, SDGCC, UNDP in his address elucidated that universality of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals through convergence is required at the community level so as to understand the theme 'Leave no one behind.

In the second event in the Social Work month, two days training workshop on "Community Driven Development through Effective Management of Area Level Federation (ALFs)/City Level Federation (CLF) and Sustainable Development Goals" was organized by the APSWDP in partnership with Development Cell of the Municipal Corporation Chandigarh on 16th-17th March 2021 at Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Sector 12-A, Chandigarh under the aegis of Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM), Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

The two-day training workshop was inaugurated by Sh. Ravi Kant Sharma, Mayor, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh as Chief Guest and Sh. Rahul Priyadarshi, General Manager and Regional In-charge, SIDBI as Guest of Honour.

In the event, representatives of Area Level Federations (ALFs)/ City Level Federation (CLF), and staff of DAY NULM and Street Vendors Project have participated. The Two Day Training Workshop was comprised of the following sessions:

- 1. Community-Driven Development
- 2. Localization of Sustainable Development Goals
- 3. Role of Area Level Federation (ALF)/ City Level Federation (CLF)
- 4. Effective Management & Administration of Area Level Federation (ALF)/ City Level Federation (CLF)

In the last event conceived in Social Work month, a one-day training workshop on Community Driven Development and SDGs was organized in institutional partnership with the Department of Social Work, Chaudhary Bansi Lal University (CBLU), Bhiwani, Haryana on 20th March 2021, which was inaugurated by Chief Guest Prof. R. K. Mittal Vice-Chancellor CBLU, Bhiwani and Guest of Honor Sh. Aditya Pundir, Head South Asia, The Climate Reality India in presence of Prof. Vikas Kumar Head Social Work Department.

The key objectives of these events was to strengthen cooperation and partnership with diverse organizations and stakeholders, to spread knowledge about social work, its values, principles and methods in practice and theory among organizations and departments, to highlight social work actions, policies and achievements in the pursuit of common goals and finally to disseminate the knowledge about SDGs, community workers and social work organizations, institutions, etc.

The futuristic goals are to converge and develop linkages with Social Work Professionals to work in coherence for resolving human conflicts in the communities, promoting Community Driven Development on the principles of participation, local empowerment, demand-responsiveness, greater accountability, and enhance local capacity through transparency, mainstreaming of various CSOs and NGOs to lead the local chapter in the region, and emphasizing on sustainable lifestyle for bringing happiness in the community.

MOU Signing between apswdp and CBLU, BHIWANI, HARYANA.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed between the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) Chandigarh, India, and Chaudhary Bansi Lal University, Bhiwani, Haryana on 20th March 2021 for the Promotion of Social Work Education for Sustainable Development and organizing various collaborative programs in Social Welfare, Management, and Social Work domain. The MOU was signed by Dr. Sumit Arora, President, APSWDP, Sh. Hitesh Kumar Gulati, Hon. Director-General, APSWDP, and Prof. Jitender Kumar Bhardwaj, Registrar CBLU, Bhiwani and Prof. Vikas Kumar, Head Department of Social Work, CBLU, Bhiwani under the guidance, patronage, and visionary leadership of Prof. R. K. Mittal Vice-Chancellor, CBLU, Bhiwani, Haryana and Mr. Vivek Trivedi, Founder, APSWDP. The signing of the MOU was put forward by Dr. Mool Raj Verma, Dr. Geetika Malhotra, and Sh. Jitender Kumar Lohia immediately after successful completion of Virtual Internship program and participation of founder APSWDP in various programs of CBLU organized by Department of Social Work during COVID-19 Pandemic.

The signing of MOU was felicitated by Prof. Vikas Kumar, Head, Department of Social Work, CBLU, Bhiwani on behalf of Registrar, CBLU, Bhiwani in a meeting held with Sh. R. K. Mittal, Hon. Vice-Chancellor on the occasion of commemorating World Social Work Day 2021 on 20th March. 2021.

Virtual Teachers Training and Green Campus Programme in the background of World Earth Day- 2021 on 12 and 17 April 2021

A Virtual Teachers Training and Green Campus Programme was organized by the APSWDP in partnership with Chitkara University, Punjab Campus under the aegis of 'The Climate Reality Project-India' on 12th and 17th April 2021 to commemorate 'World Earth Day 2021'. The training program was inaugurated by Shri Aditya Pundir, Head-India, and the South Asia, The Climate Reality Project. The training was attended by 100 participants including aspiring teachers, academicians, and researchers from the university.

Launch of Virtual Center of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration on 30 April 2021

APSWDP while following its Vision & Objectives as well as the learnings from COVID-19 Pandemic established a Virtual Center of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA) with the following three key objectives:

- 1. to meet an enormous unmet need of social welfare, social development, NGO/CSO/CBO/NPO sector, and the society at large that can be met through capacity building, training, and capability development of human resources engaged in the Social Sector;
- 2. to nurture the experts who are skilled and trained on various aspects of Social Development, Welfare and Professional Social Work, and others;
- 3. have a long-term focus on building competitiveness in the center and in their stakeholders.

APSWDP Virtual Block Field Work Programme Structure for PG MSW Students RGNIYD, Chennai (May-July 2021)

VCoE-SWA on the request of the Department of Social Work, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Chennai has launched a three months duration Virtual Block Field Work Programme for 11 MSW students.

Virtual National Dialogue on Role of Youth in Tobacco Control on 30 May 2021

APSWDP organized Virtual Dialogue on Role of Youth in Tobacco Control on the occasion of World No Tobacco Day 2021 on 30 May 2021. The dialogue was presided by Vivek Trivedi, Founder of APSWDP, and sessions from youth experts were taken by Dr. S. Rama Gokula, Mr. Karan Kaila, Anil Kumar, and Rajeev Kumar.

South Asian Youth Sustainable Development Virtual Dialogue (SAYSDVD) 2021 on the occasion of World Environment Day 2021

VCoE-SWA under the aegis of APSWDP has organized SAYSDVD 2021 in partnership with PEDA, Government of Punjab, econScious Society, Thimpu, Bhutan, and The Climate Reality Project-India on 5 June 2021.

The dialogue witnessed deliberations from key guest speakers including Aditya Pundir (TCP-India), Geethanjali M (IFS), Dea Andrea Wehrli, (Switzerland) Dr. Thu Ba Huynh (Australia), and Dr. T. Kemala Intan (Indonesia). The program was participated by more than 540 participants across the globe.

APSWDP Socio-Legal Virtual Consultation on Transgender Communities in India

VCoE-SWA under the aegis of APSWDP has organized virtual consultation on Transgender issues on 19 June 2021. The consultation was presided by Amit Sharma, OSD Hon. Punjab Haryana High Court, Chandigarh and was participated by more than 200 participants.

APSWDP Virtual Dialogue on Women Empowerment and Social Cohesion

The Role, Influence & Impact on Community Driven Development (CDD)- A virtual dialogue was organized on Women Empowerment and Social Cohesion in partnership with the Women's Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (WICCI), Chandigarh and Signicent Information Solutions LLP on 20th June 2021. The program was participated by more than 200 participants.

Virtual Dialogue on Harnessing Technology Innovations For Sustainable Development – Aligned with SDG 9 - Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure; SDG 11

Sustainable Cities and Communities; and SDG 17 - Partnerships for the Goals, a Virtual Dialogue on Harnessing Technology Innovations For Sustainable Development was organized by the APSWDP in partnership with Signicent Technologies on 3rd July 2021. The dialogue was inaugurated by Chief Guest Mr. J. K. Sharma, Chief Project Officer-Technology Business, IIT, Ropar and Co-chaired by Guest of Honor Dr. P. K. Singla, Associate Professor, NITTTR, Chandigarh.

The dialogue was moderated by Mr. Hitesh Kumar Gulati, Hon. Director-General, APSWDP, and expert sessions were taken by Mr. Ravish Kumar, Manager, IBD, and Ms. Deepshi Madaan, Team Lead, Life Science, Signicent. The key objective of the virtual dialogue was to develop continuous support for leading a discussion, identifying alternatives, and implementing the technology solutions by involving unheard voices of youth in creating a sustainable and peaceful world. The dialogue was attended by 86 participants, including aspiring teachers, academicians, and researchers from the university.

Virtual Women Conclave on "Climate Change Adaptation: Changing Lifestyle and Modifying Behavior"

From farming to technology, corporate to the social sector, climate change and defense services, women are locally and globally working on sustainable development in outstanding capacities as role models and impacting all facets of life. The world is witnessing a significant transformation in realizing the role and influence of a woman in changing the lifestyle and modifying behavior for conservation of the environment and sustainable solutions. "Women & Environment share a deep connection". Women as Nature/ Environment are called "Creators of Life", associated with seasons & responsible for the continuity of lifecycle, with this background, APSWDP conceived a Virtual Conclave on Climate Change Adaptation: Changing Lifestyle and Modifying Behavior and was organized by the association in partnership with Women's Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (WICCI), Chandigarh; Chitkara University, Punjab and The Climate Reality Project India on 10th July 2021 (Saturday).

The conclave was inaugurated by Ms. C.S. Rama Lakshmi, First Women Officer Indian Forest Service (IFS), Andhra Cadre, and was moderated by Dr. Vani Parwez, Co-Convener Outreach Synergist, Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University.

The conclave was conceived with an aim to develop an understanding that Nature is our best friend and let us cherish this friendship through case studies of women role models; raising awareness and edifying people about global warming, its devastating effects and share solutions to stop global warming; and exploring ways of synergizing with faith, connectedness and civic engagement in taking continuous action and progressive decisions on Climate Change Solutions and Sustainable Development Goals. In the conclave, expert talks were delivered by Dr. Ketna Atul Matkar, Founder & Managing Director Cipher Environmental Solutions LLP, Ms. Jas. K. Shan, Dancer, Life Coach, Movement & Energy Therapist, and Ms. Nita Ganguly, Climate Leader-Mentor & National Coordinator - Waste Management, TCRP-India.

The focus of the women conclave was on Women as the Torchbearer for bringing in influencing the behavior and lifestyle of the individual, family, and society at large, that promotes community cohesion for working in the areas of Climate Change. The conclave was attended by 200 participants including aspiring women leaders, academicians, climate presenters, environmental activists, researchers, corporates, and government officers.

International Conclave On Climate Change Mitigation And Adaptation (ICCCMA 2021)

Aligned with SDG 13 - Climate Action and UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021 – 2030, Virtual Center of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration, (VCoE-SWA) conceived a virtual International Conclave on Climate Change Mitigation And Adaptation (ICCCMA 2021) under the patronage of Mr. N.P.S. Randhawa, IAS, Chief Executive Officer, PEDA in partnership with Punjab Energy Development Agency (PEDA), The Climate Reality Project-India, Asia Climate Change Education Center (ACCEC), Jeju, South Korea, and Chandigarh University, Punjab, India on 4th September 2021 under the aegis of APSWDP.

ICCCMA -2021 was aimed at initiating a global conversation for addressing the issues, challenges, and local solutions for Climate Change, Mitigation, and Adaptation under the ambit of SDG -13. The conclave was inaugurated by Chief Guest Dr. Mushtaq Ahmed Memon, Regional Coordinator for Resource Efficiency, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Asia Pacific Regional Office, Bangkok, Thailand and Co-chaired by Guest of Honor Dr. Dai-Yeun Jeong Director, Asia Climate Change Education Center (ACCEC), Jeju South Korea.

The International Conclave was comprised of various sessions including Panel Discussions on Issues, Challenges, and Solutions on Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation and Technical workshops on The Role of Civil Society Organizations in Responding to Climate Change.

The key global speakers who shared their key sessions and deliberations in the ICCCMA-2021 were Mr. Aditya Pundir Country Head, India, and South Asia The Climate Reality Project-India, Mr. Michael Gasser, Co-Founder and Secretary Social Impact Startup E[Co]work, Switzerland & India, Dr. Anshu Kumar Cold Chain Specialist UNICEF, Bhutan Ex-Technical Advisor, Montreal Protocol Unit, Er. M. P. Singh Director, PEDA, Government of Punjab, India, Mr. Xabier Arruza Manager Bilbao Urban & Cities, Founder of Basqvium, Bilbao, Spain, Dr. Muthusami Kumaran, Associate Professor University of Florida, USA, and Dr. António Domingos Abreu, Manager, UNESCO Chair BSSD, University of Coimbra, Portugal. The conclave was attended by more than 408 participants from all across the globe.

Launch of "SAMTA NAYAY KENDRA" First Legal Aid Clinic for Transgender

State Legal Services Authority (SLSA), District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) opened first "SAMTA NAYAY KENDRA" of north India at APSWDP Community Targeted Intervention Project Office, Chandigarh - Justice Jaswant Singh, Punjab and Haryana High Court-cum-Executive Chairman, State Legal Services Authority, UT, Chandigarh inaugurated SAMTA NYAY KENDRA, First Exclusive Legal Aid Clinic for Transgenders in North India under the aegis of District Legal Services Authority, Chandigarh (DLSA), Chandigarh State AIDS Control Society (CSACS) at APSWDP Office in the presence of Mr. Gurbir Singh, District and Session Judge-cum-Chairman, District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Mr. Puneesh Jindia, Member Secretary, State Legal Services Authority (SLSA), Chandigarh, Mr. Ashok Kumar Mann, Learned CJM-cumSecretary, District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Mr. Sandeep Mittal, Deputy Director-TI, CSACS and Ms. Rekha Trivedi Secretary-General, APSWDP cum Project Director CTI HRG Project on 19th Sept 2021.

Justice Jaswant Singh said that after the landmark decision by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of National Legal Services Authority v. Union of India AIR 2014 SC 1863, whereby the Apex court declared transgender people the 'third gender. He further stressed on sensitization of all stakeholders including the judiciary about the specific needs of this community. He further informed that through the clinic persons from the Transgender Community will be provided Legal Aid Services, Legal Awareness Training, Linkages, and capacity-building services.

CSR Support to APSWDP Run DIC TGs by PNB

Punjab National Bank (PNB), Circle Office, Chandigarh extended their support under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) for upgrading Drop-In Centre (DIC) for High-Risk Groups (HRGs) including Transgenders established under Community Target Intervention HIV/AIDS Project funded by Chandigarh AIDS Control Society (CSACS) by providing Water Dispenser, LED Screen and Water Purifier on the occasion of the launch of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav planned by PNB on 20th July, 2021 by Mr. CH. S. S. Mallikaarjua Rao, Chief Managing Director and Executive Director, PNB at NITTTR, Chandigarh.

Virtual Dialogue on "24 Hours of Reality: Let's Get Real"

Aligned to the initiatives of The Climate Reality Project India, to demand real climate action, the Virtual Center of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of the Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) has conceived a Virtual Program/ Dialogue on "24 Hours of Reality: Let's Get Real"; in partnership with: Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University (Punjab); Signicent LLP, University Business School, Panjab University, Chandigarh; and The Climate Reality Project India (TCPI) on 29th and 30th October 2021, with an aim to work together with academic institutions and organizations, government and communities, the private sector and all relevant stakeholders, for creating sustainable, carbon-neutral, inclusive cities and towns.

Virtual Conference on "Accelerating urban action for a carbon-free world"

Aligned to the initiatives of urban sustainability, the Virtual Center of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a Virtual Conference on *"Accelerating urban action for a carbon-free world"*, in line with the theme of the United Nations on "World Habitat Day 2021"; in partnership with Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University and The Climate Reality Project India (TCPI), with an aim to work together with local governments and organizations, communities, academic institutions, the private sector, and all relevant stakeholders, for creating sustainable, carbon-neutral, inclusive cities and towns.

APSWDP is being felicitated by Women's Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (WICCI) at CII, Chandigarh

Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) was felicitated by the Women's Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry: WICCI UT Chandigarh at CII, Chandigarh on 26th November 2021. Ms. Deepika Bahri, U.T. President for WICCI, at the Annual Conclave of WICCI, Chandigarh honored the APSWDP for their exemplary work in the area of Women Empowerment represented by Ms. Rekha Trivedi, Secretary-General and Mr. Hitesh Kumar Gulati, Hon. Director-General in the auspicious presence of Mr.Vivek Trivedi, Mentor, and Hon Principal Adviser to APSWDP.

Capacity Building & Empowerment of High-Risk Groups (HRGs)

Aligned with the objectives of celebrating World AIDS Day and Human Rights Day 2021, the Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a Community Event-cum-Advocacy Meeting with the Stakeholders on 04th December 2021 at RGNIYD, Chandigarh, followed by a workshop on "Capacity Building & Empowerment of High-Risk Groups (HRGs)" also categorized as a vulnerable and marginalized minority community, under Composite Targeted Intervention (CTI) HIV/ AIDS Project.

HRGs shared the hurdles and never-ending challenges faced by them in society, and the house witnessed thought-provoking discussions on HRGs through their 'my story' sessions. The way forward plan was discussed by involving policy changes and mass sensitization programs in various parts of the city and state.

Virtual Dialogue on "National Energy Conservation Day 2021

Aligned to the objective of the National Energy Conservation Day 2021 to spread mass awareness among people about the importance and necessity of energy efficiency and conservation, the Virtual Center of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) conceived a Virtual Program/ Dialogue on "National Energy Conservation Day 2021"; in partnership with Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University and The Climate Reality Project India (TCPI), with an aim to work together with academic institutions and organizations, government and communities.

APSWDP Capacity building program for marginalized sex workers

A one-day training program for Peer Educators was organized by APSWDP-CTIP at the project office on 15th December 2021. Twelve Peer Educators from all three HRGs communities and CTI Project Staff participated in the training program. Smt. Rekha Trivedi, Secretary-General cum Project Director was also present during the training to boost the morale of all the peer educators and to discuss their crucial role in the project.

During the training, issues such as need, role and importance of peer educators were discussed. In addition, how they can act as a catalyst for the project by generating awareness and bringing reforms within their community. Similarly, they were also told about the peer educator diary which they have to fill on a daily basis after meeting with their community members thereby providing them with the project services.

Outreach tools such as weekly micro plan, hotspot maps, quarterly risk assessment, etc. were also taken into consideration during the training programme. Besides, referral and linkages were also discussed keeping in view their importance in the project. For instance, ICTCs, Suraksha clinics, DOTS clinics, ART centres, etc. were deeply discussed.

Mr Jeevan Deep Singh, Programme Officer-TI, TSU also briefed regarding the Revamp Strategies for improving the project services. He emphasized PMPSE, Strengthening Outreach Activities (SOA), Community Based Screening (CBS), etc. and how it can strengthen the TI project.

APSWDP's advocacy Meeting with stakeholders

Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) Chandigarh conducted five Advocacy Meetings with Bebo Technologies Pvt. Ltd. Chandigarh, General Manager, SIDBI, Regional Office, Chandigarh, Head Transgender Community North Punjab, District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) and State Legal Service Authority (SLSA), Chandigarh with an aim to seek corporate support for funding Social Work Education and also support Marginal Rights campaigns and community level projects.

Virtual Dialogue on "Wetlands Action For People and Nature" on the occasion of World Wetlands Day.

Aligned to the UN SDGs and initiatives of The Climate Reality Project India, to demand real climate action, the Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) in partnership with Chitkara University, Punjab, has conceived a Virtual Program/ Dialogue on "Wetlands Action For People and Nature" on the occasion of World Wetlands Day on 2nd February 2022 with an aim to create vibrancy among young students and work together with academic institutions and organizations, government and communities, the private sector and all relevant stakeholders, for restoring and retaining water bodies and wetlands. The conference was chaired by Ms. Geethanjali M Jeykumar, Indian Forest Service (IFS), Research Fellow, Helsinki University, Finland, and the session was taken by Guest Speaker Elsie Gabriel, Climate Reality Leader. The Chief Guest & Keynote Speaker - Ms. Geethanjali M. Jeyakumar inspired to work on the assessment of ecosystem values and safeguard the coastal wetlands (near sea), inland wetlands (near rivers, lakes, dams) and natural/man-made wetlands. The special sharing by Guest Speaker, Ms. Elsie Gabriel with her vast experience in ocean climate change and solutions sensitized the participants on the current position of India losing nearly one-third of its natural wetlands to urbanization and over exploitation, agriculture expansion and pollution. She emphasized us to collaborate and network to work together on climate change and building resilience, with a pledge to protect and restore the Wetlands.

Ms. Rekha Trivedi, Secretary-General, APSWDP was felicitated by Regional Outreach Bureau, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting on International Women's Day.

Ms. Rekha Trivedi, Secretary-General, Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) was felicitated by the Regional Outreach Bureau, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Chandigarh on the occasion of International Women's Day at Chandigarh on 7th March 2022 by Ms. Anindita Mitra, IAS, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh for her accomplishment in social welfare, disability and being a role model for women.

Virtual Conference on "Breaking the Bias" on the occasion of International Women's Day.

Aligned to the United Nations Women theme for International Women's Day (IWD-2022) - "Gender Equality Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow', Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a Virtual Conference on *Breaking the Bias" in partnership with Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University, Punjab on 8th March 2022, with an aim to initiate a dialogue among stakeholders. The key speaker of the session was Ms. Jas K Shan, Life Coach, and Wellness Expert. Ms. Jas K Shan shared that Bias here starts from inflexibility of mind-sets and societal norms. She encouraged the participants to inculcate the habits of Co-Existence & Co-Create to remove the bias; take time for self-introspection, think in terms of both Shiv - Muscular and Shakti - Feminine; Work on Four A's - Awareness; Accommodating your life with other gender without losing yourself; Analyse your life, dream, purpose; Attitude towards it; ad remove the bias by using gender-neutral language. Adopting more thoughtful, impartial, and inclusive language in life and businesses to foster atmospheres of openness and trust, which in turn will empower both men and women.

APSWDP was felicitated by Chandigarh AIDS Control Society (CSACS) at AIDSCON-11 at Chandigarh and Brahma Kumari Iswariya Vishwavidyala, Chandigarh.

Dr. Sumit Arora, President, Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) received the honour on behalf of APSWDP from Director Health Services, Chandigarh and Project Director, Chandigarh AIDS Control Society (CSACS) at AIDSCON-11 on 12th March 2022 at Park View, Chandigarh, for introducing innovative initiatives in Composite Targeted Intervention Project. Also, he was felicitated by Brahma Kumari Iswariya Vishwavidyala, Chandigarh for his contribution during COVID-19 Pandemic for social support to minority group.

Virtual Dialogue on "Groundwater: Making the invisible visible" on the occasion of World Water Day.

Aligned to the UN SDGs and initiatives of The Climate Reality Project India, to demand real climate action, the Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) in partnership with Chitkara University, Punjab, has conceived a Virtual Program/ Dialogue on "Groundwater: Making the invisible visible" on the occasion of World Water Day on 24 March 2022. The focus for this year is groundwater, which is a dwindling resource overused by many countries. It is about taking action to tackle the global water crisis. A core focus of World Water Day is to support the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 6: water and sanitation for all by 2030. Ms. Elsie Gabriel resource person made the participants re-think on human activities (including population- and economic growth) and climate variability, which are rapidly increasing the pressure on groundwater resources: serious depletion and pollution problems reported for many parts of the world. She emphasised to put a spotlight on this invisible resource, enhance knowledge exchange and collaboration, and thereby increase the awareness of the importance of taking care of our groundwater. The Special Guest of the Day Dr. Charu Khosla, Dean Internatioal Affairs, Chitkara University made the audience aware of the depletion of groundwater resources due to excessive usage of resources and how Chitkara University is working on rain harvesting to recycle the ground water, recharging the groundwater tables through interlocking tiles, and sensitized the participants to work ethically on the four important pillars - Science, Economics, Governance and Spiritual Connection.

APSWDP Capacity building programme for marginalized AND High Risk Groups Commemoration of Republic Day 2022 coinciding Capacity Building & Empowerment of Stakeholders.

The Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) had conceived to organize a Community Event-cum-Capacity Building for the High-Risk Groups (HRGs), also categorized as vulnerable and marginalized minority community on the eve of the Republic Day on 26th January 2022 at New Indira Colony, Manimajra, Sector-13, Chandigarh under Composite Targeted Intervention Project (CTIP) on HIV/ AIDS. Sh. Sandeep Mittal, Deputy Director Targeted Intervention, Chandigarh State AIDS Control Society (CSACS) was the Chief Guest during the event.

Sh. Sandeep Mittal, the Chief Guest during the event while addressing the audience, mentioned regarding the Composite Targeted Intervention Project which is aimed at benefitting the High-Risk Groups (HRGs) and also for creating a welfare state for all those who are in dire need. Sh. Mittal also talked about various services that are provided under the umbrella of APSWDP and motivated HRGs present to avail such services which are provided free of cost. In addition, he also congratulated APSWDP for the meticulous planning in organizing the community and also for engaging them in various skill development courses which are free for them.

Sh. Mittal also appreciated the efforts of TI staff under the dynamic leadership of Smt. Rekha Trivedi, Secretary General-cum-Project Director in preparing an atlas of all the hotspots of the project. Blankets were distributed to the Transgender and other HRGs being provided by Shri Rupinder Singh, Bebos Technologies under CSR support after the lunch break in the Drop-In-Centre (DIC) at its project office.

APSWDP Joined Hands with Alliance Francaise, Chandigarh in Bonjour India 2022.

The City Beautiful Chandigarh witnessed an event named Bonjour India 2022 with a theme 'City for All - Public art festival questioning the role of gender in our cities' which was conceptualized by Alliance Francaise, Chandigarh and Social Design Collaborative. Among various local partners, Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) supported the event by facilitating the stakeholders and TG and other marginalized community engagement at Bapudham, Manimajra and in Sector 17 concluding event on 10th April, 2022.

Virtual Conclave on the Transgender Community in India

A Virtual Conclave on the Transgender Community in India was organized on 28th May 2022 by Virtual Center for Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCOE-SWA) under the aegis of Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) with focus on United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 3, 5, 10, 16 and 17. It was deliberated during the conclave that the Transgender community in India are among the most marginalized and vulnerable. They are subjected to a variety of social discrimination and exclusion from mainstream society. In its landmark judgment dated 15th April 2014 in the case of National Legal Services Authority vs Union of India, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India directed the Central Government and State Governments to take steps for the welfare of the transgender community. Roughly, India has a population of 4.8 million transgender persons as per Census 2011. The conclave witnessed eminent speakers from Hum Safar Trust, IAMBSS, Lovely Professional University, DLSA Chandigarh.

International Youth Sustainable Development Virtual Dialogue (IYSDVD-2022)

APSWDP celebrated the World Environment Day (WED) 2022 with a theme #OnlyOneEarth that calls for transformative changes to policies and choices to enable cleaner, greener, and sustainable living in harmony with nature. It WED-2022 focused on the need to live sustainably in harmony with nature, and our possibilities for shifting to a greener lifestyle through both policies and individual choices. "Only One Earth" was the motto for the 1972 Stockholm Conference.

Even after 50 years on, the motto is as pertinent as ever – this planet is our only home, and humanity must safeguard its finite resources. The year 2022 is a historic milestone for the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the global environmental community. It marks the 50th anniversary of the establishment of UNEP as an outcome of the Stockholm Conference. It also coincides with the high-level Stockholm+50 international meeting. These emblematic events serve as an opportunity for the international community to strengthen cooperation and show leadership in the transformation towards a more sustainable society.

Since 2015, APSWDP has been commemorating this day as a commitment toward protecting the Environment by collaborating with 'The Climate Reality Project India' at Chandigarh by way of organizing various advocacy events, campaigns, capacity building programs, and virtual dialogues, etc. Aligned to the United Nations theme of the year on World Environment Day and UN SDGs, the Virtual Centre of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA) under the aegis of APSWDP has organized an International Youth Sustainable Development Virtual Dialogue -2022 in partnership with The Climate Reality Project-India and South Asia, Asia Climate Change Education Center (ACCEC), Jeju, South Korea, Chitkara University, Punjab, Regional Institute of Cooperative Management (RICM), Chandigarh Integrated Association of Medical, Basic, and Social Scientists (IAMBSS), Graha Kirana Foundation, Indonesia and Sanrakshad (The Conservation), India with an aim to address the issues of Conserving Biodiversity, Restoring Ecosystems and Communicating Climate Change on 5th June 2022 (Sunday). In addition, this dialogue was intended to develop understanding & exploring indigenous knowledge on Bio-diversity conservation and Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation. The dialogue was inaugurated by Senator Dr. PKC Bose, Chief Guest with his inaugural address and Key Note Address and Special Address by Dr Die- Yeun Jeong, Guest of Honor and Ms. Geethanjali M. I.F.S. Special Guest in the inaugural session.

CBT Programme and Community Event for Marginalized Community under CTIP Project

In order to celebrate 75 years of Independence with the theme 'Ek Bharat, Shresht Bharat', APSWDP under the ambit of Chandigarh State AIDS Control Society (CSACS) organized a Capacity Building Programme and Community Event for the vulnerable and marginalized groups of sexual minorities who are at the brink of confronting several health related challenges including HIV/AIDS, STIs/STDs/ Venereal Diseases, and other socio-legal challenges. APSWDP in order to provide them with dignified life have introduced the concept of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) among the registered HRGs with the Composite Targeted Intervention Project. SHGs are informal groups of people who come together to address their common problems. While SHGs might imply a focus on the individual, one important characteristic of SHGs is the idea of mutual support and having people help each other. These groups can serve many different purposes depending on the situation and the need.

For instance, within the development sector, SHGs have been used as an effective strategy for poverty alleviation, human development, and social empowerment and are often focused on microcredit programs and income-generating activities. During the Community Event, APSWDP also launched its first SHG with the name 'Saanjh' which connotes togetherness amongst the HRG community and shall motivate them to work more for achieving triumph.

APSWDP Dialogue on Mainstreaming of TG Community

APSWDP jointly Organized an awareness programme on the theme entitled "Mainstreaming of Transgender Community: A Dialogue", in association with T.S Central State Library, Sector-17, Chandigarh and State Legal Services Authority (SLSA) at State Library on 27 August 2022 (Saturday). The main objective of this meeting was to discuss the issues of Transgender and different ways to mainstream them with society. During the dialogue, 05-panel speakers including renowned Transgender and Activists namely Mx. Dhananjay Chouhan and Mx. Kajal Mangalmukhi, Dr. Vivek Trivedi, Special Invitee Member, Transgender Welfare Board, Chandigarh Sh. Gautam Bhardwaj and Dr. Sumit Arora were invited.

The welcome note was given by Mrs. Neelam Bansal, Library Incharge (Patron) followed by an introduction to the dialogues and key speakers by Dr. Neeza Singh, Librarian (Organizer). The dialogue started with Mx. Dhananjay Chouhan with a brief introduction about her experience with society and the works that she has accomplished in Chandigarh for the welfare of the Transgender Community. Mx. Kajal Mangalmukhi who shared her childhood experience and her entire journey of being a Hijra/ Eunuch, her survival story. Sh. Gautam Bhardwaj, Advocate, SLSA Chandigarh wherein he shared about various government schemes for the Transgender Community. Also, he shared about the Samta Nyay Kendra, the Legal-Aid Clinic for the Transgender Community which has been accorded to APSWDP. Dr. Vivek Trivedi, who summoned all the social activists and educational institutions to work for main streaming in the community by way offering support in getting formal education, skill development, linkages to libraries, livelihood opportunities etc. In the last session, Dr. Sumit Arora, President, APSWDP wherein he discussed the term 'Gender' and how the roles and responsibilities have been helpful to Mainstream the Transgender Community in time to come. The concluding remarks were given by Dr. Neeza Singh, wherein she appreciated all the panel speakers for voicing their concerns that can be helpful to Mainstream the Transgender Community in time to come.

Commemoration of International Literacy Day on Theme: Transforming Literacy and Learning Spaces

For commemorating International Literacy Day 2022, the Virtual Centre of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a virtual dialogue/program on 08th September, 2022 (Thursday) from 02:30 pm to 04:00 pm (IST) in partnership with Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University, aligned with the worldwide theme, "Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces", an opportunity to rethink the fundamental importance of literacy learning spaces to build resilience and ensure quality, equitable, and inclusive education for all, with an aim to work together with academic institutions and organizations, government and communities.

Guest Speakers - Ms. Harpreet Kaur and Mr. Hitesh Kumar Gulati; shared their knowledge and wisdom in the Virtual Program/ Dialogue on "Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces", where Ms. Harpreet shared her thoughts on "Literacy Learning Spaces and Inclusive Education and Mr. Hitesh Gulati talked on the theme "Literacy Learning Spaces to build Resilience Among Educators".

Commemoration of World Ozone Day-2022 on Theme Global Co-operation and Protecting Life on Earth

For commemorating World Ozone Day 2022, the Virtual Centre of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a virtual dialogue/ program in partnership with Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University, Signicent LLP, and The Climate Reality Project India (TCPI).

World Ozone Day 2022 to be marked on 16 September, is observed under Montreal Protocol@35 with the theme "Global Cooperation Protecting Life on Earth". The theme recognises the wider impact the Montreal Protocol has on climate change and the need to act in collaboration, forge partnerships and develop global cooperation to address climate challenges and protect life on earth for future generations.

Guest Speaker, Ms. Supriya Salaria provided insights on "Ozone Layer Protection and Sustainable Development", and Guest Speaker, Mr. Hitesh Kumar Gulati engaged the audience in a "QUIZ on World Ozone Day 2022".

It is indeed a pleasure to witness active participation from varied occupations including Academicians, Business Consultant, Corporate Sector Professional, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Professional, Development Practitioner, Entrepreneur, Government Officers, Public Health Expert, Legal Practitioner, Researcher, Social Activist, Students and others.

Virtual Dialogue on World Human Rights Day 2022 on Theme Dignity, Freedom and Justice for All

For commemorating World Human Rights Day 2022, the Virtual Centre of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a virtual dialogue/program on 09th December, 2022 (Friday) from 2 pm onwards (IST) in partnership with Chitkara College of Education; Chitkara School of Psychology and Counselling, Chitkara University; and Consortium of Business Mentors and Advisors (CBMA), aligned to the UN Human Rights Day 2022 theme on "Dignity, Freedom, and Justice for All", with an opportunity to rethink as an economy to invest in human rights, renew the social contract between Governments, their people and within societies, to rebuild trust and embrace a shared and comprehensive vision of human rights on the road to a just and sustainable development.

Guest Speaker Adv. Priyanka Sud spoke on "Privileges, Human Rights Acts and Provisions for Sustainable Development". During the session the audience were made to understand Constitutional Human Rights in which primarily Right to equality: Article 14- 18, Right to life & personal liberty: Article 21, Right to Freedom: Article 19-22, Cultural & educational rights: Article 29-30 and Rights against exploitation: Article 23-24 were discussed with the Landmark judgement passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court which were Vishaka Vs State of Rajasthan in which the fundamental rights of the working women were safeguarded. The other case was of Paramvir Singh Saini Vs Baljit Singh And Others, in which the Hon'ble Supreme Court directed the State to ensure installation of CCTV Cameras in each and every Police station. Thereafter, in detail the Human Right Act was discussed covering the filing of Complaint, procedure, and the powers vested with the Commission. Human Rights are actually basic rights and freedom that belong to every individual in the world from birth until death. Through this session it has been reflected that the life, liberty, privacy, and dignity of any individual must be given paramount significance.

Virtual Dialogue on National Energy Conservation Day 2022

For commemorating National Energy Conservation Day 2022, the Virtual Centre of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a virtual dialogue/program on 14th December, 2022 (Wednesday) from 3 pm onwards (IST) in partnership with Chitkara College of Education; Chitkara School of Psychology and Counselling, Chitkara University; and The Climate Reality Project India (TCPI), with an opportunity to rethink as an economy to invest in energy conservation, renew the social contract between Governments, their people and within societies, to rebuild trust and embrace a shared and comprehensive vision of energy conservation practices on the road to sustainable development. The Guest Speaker Mr. Bhavesh Swami spoke about what energy is, and built a holistic viewpoint onto its world perspective and importance for a country like India. He threw light on what student community should be doing to be more aware in their daily lives and how small 'driven' actions taken individually at home or at school/university level can bring a drastic change.

Community Awareness and Sensitization Programme on Women Day an World Social Work Day- 2023

A Community Awareness Generation and Sensitization Programme was organized by APSWDP-CTIP at Sky Hotel, Manimajra, Sector-13, Chandigarh on 7 March 2023 to mark and commemorate International Women's Day and World Social Work Day 2023 in the background of Swachhta Ki Holi.

Sh. Narender Kumar, Project Manager, CTIP-APSWDP welcomed Smt. Rekha Trivedi, Secretary General, APSWDP cum Project Director, CTIP, the Chief Guest during the Community Awareness Generation and Sensitization Programme. He also greeted Sh. Karamveer Singh, Chief Executive Officer (Hon.), APSWDP. Besides, he also exchanged his greetings with all the key speakers, namely Sh. Aakash Yadav, Advocate, Hon. Punjab and Haryana High Court; Mx. Kajal Mangalmukhi, TG/ Hijara Rights Activist; and Sh. Balbir Singh, Assistant Community Organizer, DAY-NULM, Municipal Corporation Chandigarh during the event.

Smt. Rekha Trivedi, while in her inaugural address, talked about various milestones that have been achieved in the past which is a positive step in making the society HIV free and to enable People Living with HIV/AIDS to live a health and positive life. She also talked about the various services that are provided to HRGs free of cost under the CTIP project, which have enabled HRGs to lead a health and disease free lifestyle. Besides, the project has also focused on establishing linkages of HRGs with various social welfare schemes for their betterment.

While concluding her address, Smt. Rekha Trivedi ensured that all HRGs registered with this project should avail free services being accorded under this project. Also, she highlighted the fact that the project shall have more opportunities for the HRGs in near future who are firm in reducing their risk behaviour.

Mr. Narender Kumar while concluded the event shared that since the project is dealing with HRG community that is vulnerable to plethora of social issues, support from SLSA and Judiciary is very much required at different points of time. Also, he acknowledged that TGs and Hijra community are facing constant challenges and they also need to get adequate support in terms of their basic grooming through education and skill development.

Capacity Building and Training Workshop on Strengthening of Eco-clubs

Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) extended technical and knowledge support in organizing two day capacity building workshop on strengthening of Eco-Clubs organized by Department of Environment, Chandigarh Administration and Chandigarh Pollution Control Committee in collaboration with Swarmani Youth Welfare Association and The Climate Reality Project, India & South Asia and S.D. College, sector 32, Chandigarh.

The workshop was organized in the background of Teacher's Training and Green Campus Program coinciding World Social Work Day 2023 with an aim to promote Education for Sustainable Development with exclusive support from The Climate Reality Project, India & South Asia.

The two-day workshop was intended to build the capacity of Eco-Club coordinators in taking up the multifarious activities related to awareness, action and sustainable solutions in respect of 4R's and in making Chandigarh a Zero Waste city. The workshop included two expert sessions from The Climate Reality Project, India & South Asia on Teacher's Training and Green Campus Program followed by a in-depth and comprehensive sessions; which further focused on identifying the present issues, challenges, corresponding solutions and building an action plan in strengthening the capacity of Eco-Clubs. The workshop made more than 200 participants to attend the deliberations from diverse experts and visiting C & D plant and Horticulture Waste Management plant run by Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

The program has witnessed deliberations from Dr. Vivek Trivedi, Dr. Ajay Sharma, Dr. Brij Bhushan, Dr. Rupali, Dr. Ajay Sharma, Ms. Rekha Lala, Mr. Bhavesh Swami, Mr. Hitesh Gulati, Dr. Sunita, Mr. Karamveer Singh and Mr. Rohit Sharma.

Virtual Panel Discussion on World Earth Day - 2023

For commemorating World Earth Day 2023, the Virtual Centre of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organised a virtual panel discussion on 21st April, 2023 (Friday) from 02:30 pm onwards (IST) in partnership with Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University; Chitkara School of Psychology and Counselling, Chitkara University and The Climate Reality Project India.

The eminent panelists Neelam Majumdar, Bhavesh Swami, Dr. Charu Khosla and Hitesh Kumar Gulati sensitized the participants to rethink as an economy to invest in climate conservation, renew the social contract between Governments, their people and within societies, so as to rebuild trust and embrace a shared and comprehensive vision on the road to sustainable development.

The panel discussion was organized in the background of World Earth Day 2023 on the global theme for this year "Invest in our Planet with an aim to raise awareness related to the environmental problems around the world and encourage actions that safeguard the planet and also to promote Education for Sustainable Development with exclusive support from The Climate Reality Project, India & South Asia.

Virtual Panel Discussion on International Youth Day - 2023

To commemorate International Youth Day 2023, the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a virtual dialogue/ program on 11th August 2023 in partnership with Chitkara College of Education; Chitkara School of Psychology and Counselling, Chitkara University; and Indian Pollution Control Association (IPCA), aligned to the UN International Youth Day 2023 theme on "Green Skills for Youth: Towards a Sustainable World", with an opportunity to contribute to the development of green skills in youth for the green transition, renew the social contract between Governments, their people and within societies, to rebuild trust and embrace a shared and comprehensive vision of the green world on the road to support a sustainable and resource-efficient society. The Guest Speaker Hitesh Kumar Gulati, Hon. Director General, APSWDP shared insights on ways of "Instilling & Designing the Green Skill Matrix" and Dr. Reena Chadha, General Manager, Indian Pollution Control Association (IPCA) talked about "Innovative Career Options in Environment and Waste Management", inspiring the Young Aspiring Professionals for venturing into Green Field Areas.

Virtual Panel Discussion on International Literacy Day - 2023

To commemorate International Literacy Day 2023, the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a virtual dialogue/ program on 02nd September 2023 in partnership with Chitkara College of Education; Chitkara University; and WICCI CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) Council, aligned to the worldwide theme "Promoting literacy for a world in transition: Building the foundation for sustainable and peaceful societies", with an opportunity to rethink the fundamental importance of literacy learning spaces to build resilience and ensure quality, equitable, and inclusive education for all, with an aim to work together with academic institutions and organizations, government and communities. Ms. Komal Chawla took us on a journey of understanding the Global Scenario of Quality Education, SDG 4 Targets to be achieved by 2030, where does India Stands with Respect to Achieving SDG 4, Challenges to the achievement of SDG – Indian Context, Initiatives Taken by the Indian Government to achieve SDG4. Dr. Kamakshi Malik made us all realize the importance of Emotional Literacy in this fast-changing VUCA world through an understanding of our own self-competencies and social competencies, regulating it and bringing transformation thus paving a way forward to sustainable and peaceful societies.

Virtual Panel Discussion on World Ozone Day - 2023

To commemorate World Ozone Day 2023, the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) organized a virtual program in partnership with Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University, Chitkara School of Psychology and Counselling, Chitkara University, The Climate Reality Project India (TCPI) and Graha Kirana Foundation, Indonesia. World Ozone Day 2023 to be marked on 16 September, is observed under Montreal Protocol@35 with the global theme "fixing the ozone layer and reducing climate change". The theme recognizes the wider impact the Montreal Protocol has on climate change and the need to act in collaboration, forge partnerships and develop global cooperation to address climate challenges and protect life on earth for future generations. Dr Anshu Kumar and Dr. T. Kemala Intan delivered their talks amid participation of more than 100 delegates.

Climate Change and Social Service-Challenges and Action Orientation Workshop

APSWDP in partnership with Chitkara University organized a one-day workshop on "Climate Change and Social Service: Challenges and Action Orientation" on 28 September, 2023 at university campus. APSWDP Secretary General Ms. Rekha Trivedi gave a talk on Journey of a Socialpreneur - My Life My Message to the student of School of Education, Counselling and Mass Communication. Also, Mr. Hitesh Kumar Gulati. Hon. Director General, APSWDP took a session on PCR (Progressive Collaborative and Resilient) Mindset in the workshop.

Capacity Building Workshop on Mainstreaming of Marginalized Communities cum Advocacy Meeting

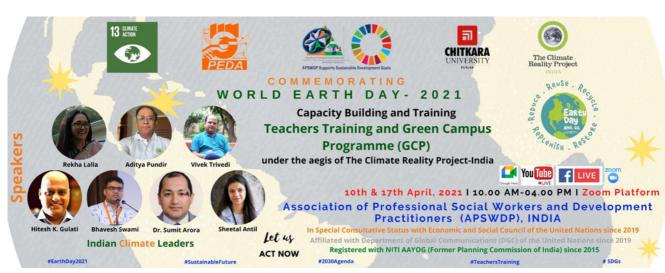
A "Capacity Building Workshop on Mainstreaming of Marginalized Communities cum Advocacy Meeting" was held on 28th October 2023, at RGNIYD Campus, Chandigarh. This one-day program was conducted by the APSWDP in association with RGNIYD Regional Center Chandigarh, SLSA Chandigarh under the aegis of CSACS Chandigarh. The speakers in the workshops were: Ms. Rekha Trivedi from APSWDP, who spoke on Social-prenuer; Gautam Bhardwaj from SLSA Chandigarh, who spoke about NALSA schemes; and Balbir Singh from MCC, who spoke about DAY NULM.

In the programme, a participatory workshop was designed and conducted by Dr. Sumit Arora and Dr. Rajeev Chaudhary involving all the participants in various group work sessions and presentations.

The programme was chaired by Shri Amit Sharma, Secretary, High Court Legal Services Committee, and co-chaired by Shri Sandeep Mittal, Deputy Director, CSACS, Chandigarh. The other key co-chairs included in the programme were Prof. Inderjeet Singh Sodhi from Jamia University, and Prof. T. Gopinath from RGNIYD.













































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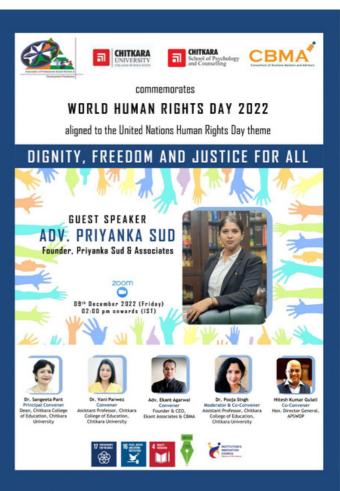


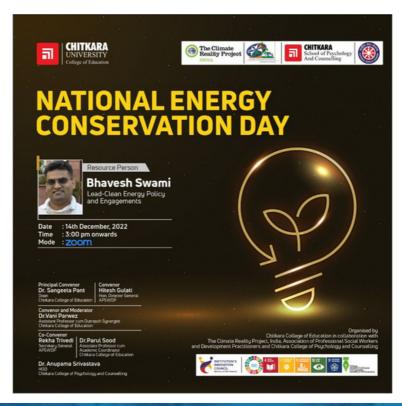




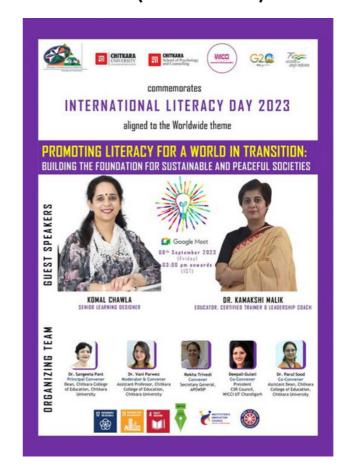






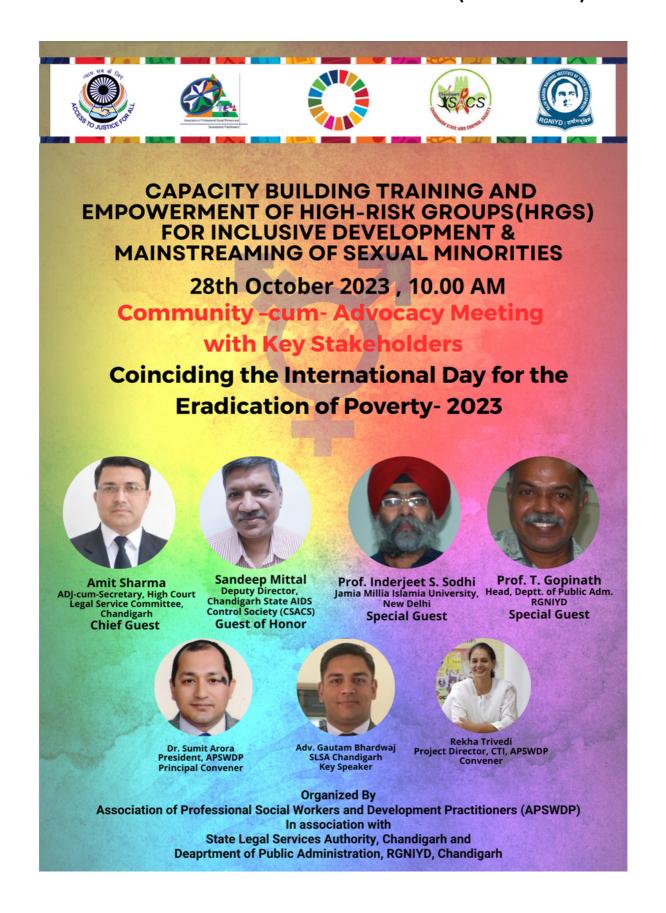












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- Mr. Vivek Trivedi, Principal Adviser APSWDP represented in 'Advancing Equitable Livelihoods in Food Systems: A UN DESA Global Policy Dialogue" on 16th December 2020.
- Dr. Sumit Arora represented APSWDP in a virtual workshop on 'Sustainable and Inclusive Economic Growth for Shared Prosperity' organized by UNITAR CIFAL Jeju, South Korea on 16th December 2020.
- Dr. Sumit Arora President, Mr. Vivek Trivedi Principal Adviser and Mr. Rajeev Choudhury Hon. Director Capacity Building Training and Publications APSWDP represented in The Climate Adaptation Summit (CAS) 2021 from 25-26 January, 2021.
- "A Virtual Dialogue in Support of amendments in COTPA Act 2003: Need of the hour" organized by Resource Center for Tobacco Control, PGIMER Chandigarh, Strategic Institute of Public Health Education and Research, Chandigarh (SIPHER), Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) in collaboration with The Union, scheduled to be held on 29th January, 2021
- Mr. Vivek Trivedi Principal Adviser APSWDP participated in The Civil Society Forum 2021 from 10-12 Feb, 2021 organized by the United Nations Department of Global Communication (UN DGC).
- Dr. Sumit Arora President and Mr. Youdhvir Singh Member APSWDP represented the association and participated in SDG Localization: Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI)based ways forward from 19-24 Feb, 2021 organized by UNITAR/CIFAL JEJU.
- Mr. Vivek Trivedi represented APSWDP in a webinar on Disaster Risk Reduction and Health in COVID-19 Pandemic on 24 Feb, 2021 organized by UNDRR Asia Pacific.
- Mr. Vivek Trivedi Principal Adviser APSWDP, Ms. Ishita Wadhawan, and Ms. Anupriya Singh Members APSWDP participated in the virtual training workshop on Social Protection Series I
 Spotlight on Informal Workers from 18-25 March 2021 organized by the JITC UNITAR/CIFAL JEJU.
- Ms. Rekha Trivedi, Secretary General APSWDP, participated in the Virtual Townhall Meeting
 of Civil Society and United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres on the occasion of
 the sixty-fifth session of the Commission on the Status of Women on 16th March, 2021.

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- Capacity Development Workshop on Disaster Risk Reduction Strategies and Digital Governance for Local Resilience organized on 6 -13 April 2021- participated by Vivek Trivedi.
- UNITAR CIFAL Training Workshop on Social Protection Series II: Spotlight on Vulnerable Groups to Climate Risks on 18-20 May 2021 - participated by Ishita Whadhawan, and Anupriya Singh.
- UNITAR CIFAL Training Workshop on Accelerating Digital Transformation, Shaping Policies, and Boosting Shared Prosperity on 26-28 May 2021 - participated by Dr. Mool Raj Verma, and Dr. Britto.
- UNDRR-UNOSSC-WHO Build back better: Harnessing South-South cooperation and risk reduction planning for resilient and healthy cities in the post-COVID-19 era (8,15,22,29 June 2021)- participated by Vivek Trivedi.
- National Colloquium on National Council on Social Work Council (Education and Practice)
 Bill, 2021 on 12 June 2021 organized by CBLU, Bhiwani, and APSWDP- participated by Dr.
 Mool Raj Varma, Dr. Sumit Arora.
- UNDGC Communication Workshop on 17 June 2021 -participated by Dr. Sumit Arora.
- International Youth Conference 4 Synergy Act and Impact on 25-27 June 2021- participated by Karamveer Singh.
- Restarting Tourism in Asia and the Pacific: The Road to Recovery and Beyond on 30 June 2021- participated by Dr. Mool Raj Varma.
- 5th Virtual National Conference on Tobacco Or Health (NCTOH) -APSWDP was invited to participate in the conference for sharing the association's vision on Tobacco Control on 25th September 2021. Mr. Hitesh Kumar Gulati, Hon. Director-General, APSWDP shared the vision, activities and future plan during the conference.
- MSMEs Enhancing Innovation and Resilience for an Inclusive and Sustainable Recovery December 1 to 3 2021 Dr. Sumit Arora and Mr. Rajeev Kumar, Members of APSWDP were
 selected by UNITAR/CIFAL Jeju Training Workshop on MSMEs Enhancing Innovation and
 Resilience for an Inclusive and Sustainable Recovery from December 1 to 3 2021. The
 workshop explored how MSMEs can be equipped to ensure a resilient and sustainable
 recovery in the post-COVID-19 era.
- Accelerating Multi-stakeholder Partnerships for the SDGs 28 October, 3 & 4 November 2021- Dr. Vivek Trivedi, a Member of APSWDP was selected by UNITAR/CIFAL Jeju Training Workshop on Accelerating Multi-stakeholder Partnerships for the SDGs from 28 October to 3 & 4 November 2021.

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- Mr. Karamveer Singh represented APSWDP in Responsible Business and Human Rights
 Forum under civil society organizations from 20th-22nd September, 2022 at UNESCAP in a
 view to explore global network in line with UN SDGs.
- Mr. Rajeev Kumar represented APSWDP in 2022 Jeju International Future Generation
 Forum as global youth leaders hosted by the Jeju Self-governing Province Office and coorganized with UNITAR CIFAL Jeju.
- Mr. Karamveer SIngh represented APSWDP in 2023 National Youth Forum hosted by National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) from March 13-14, 2023 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- APSWDP CTIP team led by Ms. Rekha Trivedi along with Mr. Narender Kumar, Ms. Jasvir Kaur, Ms. Puneeta, Ms. Sonia and Mx. Pardeep participated in 12th AIDSCON organized by CSACS, Chandigarh at Park View.
- Ms. Ishita Whadhawan had an incredible learning experience of participating in the United Nations Institute of Training and Research (UNITAR) sponsored Training Workshop on Culture as Powerful Fuel for Building a Sustainable City from 31 August to 4 August 2023 at CIFAL Jeju International Training Institute (JITC), Jeju, South Korea.
- Mr. Rajeev Kumar had an incredible learning experience of participating in the United Nations Responsible Business and Human Rights Forum 2023, held at the United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC) in Bangkok, Thailand, from 6th to 9th June 2023.
- Dr. Vivek Trivedi and Mr. karamveer Singh participated in COP 28, UNFCCC at Dubai, UAE from 9th to 12th Nov. 2023.

We are today facing one of the most severe challenges of our times. Health, Economy, and Social Customs and Systems were all badly hurt during the COVID-19 crisis. Some organizations stand up to tough challenges, and the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is one of them. I am proud to be associated with APSWDP in bringing smiles on to the face of the poor, marginalized, and needy who are the worst impacted.



Aditya Pundir, Country Manager The Climate Reality Project India



Dabur India Ltd. is pleased to collaborate with Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) in extending relief to marginalized sections of the society in Chandigarh during COVID-19 Pandemic. We sincerely appreciate APSWDP team for their exemplary commitment and consistent efforts in making extensive outreach for distribution of immunity boosters {Chyawanprash (1500 KG), Honey (1500 bottles),} and Healthy Beverages (Coconut water, preserved fruit juices 570 liters) to persons in need. Your efforts have made an everlasting mark on the lives of those impacted by the pandemic.

Byas Anand, Head Corporate Communications, Dabur India Ltd.



Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) has made a remarkable presence by engaging professional social workers, civil society organizations, youth networks during COVID-19 pandemic for extending humanitarian response relief to the worst affected persons in the Chandigarh and extended region covering parts of Haryana and Punjab. I have witnessed and tracked the campaigns run by the APSWDP during COVID crisis in making outreach to the urban poor, marginalized by facilitating the distribution of personal hygiene kits, dry ration, immunity boosters and providing counselling to the underprivileged societies. The dedication of APSWDP volunteers amidst the peak of the pandemic was astonishing. Their commitment and hard work have inspired so many people across the region and country to come out and help the people in need. I thank each one of them.

Dr Sandeep Kumar Meharwal, Public Health Expert, Thailand

We are delighted to appreciate the efforts of the Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) for encompassing the Relief Operations and Distribution among Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) of the society in Chandigarh region during the COVID-19 pandemic. FICCI mobilized resources from Marico Limited and Coca-Cola Limited, viz. Energy Drinks, ready to Eat Oats, Edible Oil, Tea Leaves, Soups, etc. for distribution under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative. We truly value APSWDP for societal commitment during severe biological emergencies and reaching out to the community at a time when no one referred to come up-front. We salute the spirit of APSWDP's COVID-19 Warriors for their relentless contribution during the pandemic. And sincerely appreciate partnering with your organization to undertake this mammoth task of extending Humanitarian Relief.



Uma S. Seth, Senior Director & Lead, FICCI Socio-Economic Development Foundation



Working with the APSWDP has been an enriching and transformative experience. From the moment I became associated with the organization, the supportive atmosphere truly encouraged growth and innovation. What struck me most was the emphasis on collaboration and open communication, which facilitated a vibrant exchange of ideas and a collective pursuit of solutions. Moreover, the organization's dedication to social responsibility initiatives resonated deeply with me, aligning with my values and creating a sense of purpose in my work. It's been a journey filled with challenges, learning opportunities, and meaningful contributions, and I look forward to continuing to grow and make a positive impact with this remarkable organisation.

Dr. Vani Parwez, Assistant Professor cum Outreach Synergist, Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University.

My experience with the APSWDP has been profoundly enriching and transformative. From the moment I joined this dynamic organization, I felt a sense of belonging and purpose within the community of dedicated social workers and development practitioners. It has provided me with numerous opportunities for professional growth and networking, enabling me to connect with like-minded individuals who share my passion for social justice and positive change. Moreover, the camaraderie and support I've received from my fellow members have been instrumental in sustaining my motivation and commitment to this vital profession. APSWDP has not only broadened my horizons but has also inspired me to continue striving for a more just and equitable society.



Dr. Kamakshi Malik, Educator, Certified Trainer and Leadership Coach.



APSWDP has created a mark as a team of experts, working professionally with a system-driven approach. Their inclusive and positive attitude, collaborative working, vision, and flawless execution is the hallmark of their work quality and work ethic. The selection of topics showcases its approach towards the incorporation of SDGs as a mission. This forward-looking approach makes them a trailblazer organization, that stands out from others working in the field. Wishing good luck and success in the future endeavours.

Dr. Ketna Atul Matkar, Founder, Cipher Environmental Solutions LLP, Thane, Mumbai.

I have been associated with APSWDP for a couple of years when I participated in one of the workshops organized on the occasion of World Social Work Day 2019 at Chandigarh during Ph.D. in the School of Public Health at PGIMER, Chandigarh with my co-guide. It happens to be a great exposure having interacted with diverse people with various professional backgrounds in the development sector. I have seen how professionally they are organized voluntarily and addressing various facets of sustainability through Social Work Education for Sustainable Development among young professionals. Also, their 'Never Say Die' and indomitable professional spirit has made them to have global UN recognition in short span of time.



Dr. Kumar Pushkar, Faculty, Department of Community Medicine, Armed Forces Medical College, Pune.



I have observed APSWDP closely over the past few years. They started as a small, passionate multisectoral team and in a short team achieved many milestones. I could witness the phenomenal sense of trust and delegation between a leader and the team members. They have been recognized by the United Nations. They have the skills to connect to the grassroots as well as top authorities and build the bridge between them-an essential attributes and skill required for this professional group of Social workers.

Dr. Arun Aggarwal, Professor and Head, Department of Community Medicine and School of Public Health, PGIMER, Chandigarh And Founder, President AHSAS-Association for Health Systems Analysis and Strengthening



I am delighted to see the way APSWDP has evolved and grown during the last six years in the country which is fairly a short span to achieve the pinnacle. The rigorous involvement of APSWDP in addressing the diverse social issues has not only provided sustainable solutions through social dialogues but has also developed a platform for development practitioners. The establishment of the Virtual Center of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration is a promising step in this direction. I am hopeful that APSWDP shall continue its journey to disseminate knowledge and to generate awareness on the diversity of issues which is the need of the hour. Undoubtfully, APSWDP has become a leading think-tank amongst civil societies with global recognition in the country.

N. P. S. Randhawa, IAS Chief Executive Officer, Punjab Energy Development Agency (PEDA), Government of Punjab.

I am fortunate to have motivated and inspiring youth in conceiving and shaping an Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP). In the yesteryears, APSWDP has taken a gigantic leap in getting associated with the United Nations and its allied agencies, like Special Consultative Status with UN ECOSOC, accreditation and association with UN DGC, UNEP, Observer status in UNFCCC and United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA). The seed sown in 2014 has grown into a fully grown tree and is aspiring to be a banyan tree with an objective to spread knowledge and wisdom across the globe in the future towards sustainability. I wish APSWDP's present body a great future ahead.



Dr. Vivek Trivedi, Social Development Officer, DAY NULM, Municipal Corporation Chandigarh.



I have been associated with APSWDP for a couple of years when I participated in one of the workshops organized on the occasion of World Social Work Day 2015 at Chandigarh during my engagement at the Directorate of Urban Development, Himachal Pradesh. I found APSWDP a vibrant organization that promotes Social Work Education for Sustainable Development and works on capacity building & and training of educators and youth on sustainable development, climate change adaptation, and mitigation. I wish APSWDP a great future ahead in the development sector.

Mr. Amit Joshi, Prevention Specialist, Punjab, SETU, FHI 360.



I am thrilled to share that I have been a part of the APSDWP family for the past 6 years. It has been an incredible journey filled with numerous learning experiences and exciting opportunities. As a member of this remarkable organization, I have witnessed first-hand the dedication and commitment of every member of our team toward making a positive impact on the lives of our community. We took baby steps in our journey and achieved many prominent accolades, it has been possible only by effortless and unstopping moves. I am honored to be associated with APSDWP and look forward to many more years of growth and collaboration. I wish my best wishes to the organization and feel proud to be part of the esteemed family for change.

Mr. Ravi Solanki, Project Analyst E-governance & Research,
UNDP India.

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Mr. Deepak Yadav, Special Correspondent, Times of India, Chandigarh



APSWDP has emerged as a niche organization bringing a galaxy of thought leaders together. Vibrant, resourceful, and domain expert members are always available to share their learnings, formally and informally. This very knowledge sharing makes APSWDP a unique organization that gives a sneak peek into their domains and the way sustainability is being practiced therein, the everyday learning we call it. With members joining not only from South Asia but from different regions across the globe, the objectives of crossing cultures and countries; place APSWDP at a pinnacle position.

Mr. Bhavesh Swami, Lead - Clean Energy Policy and Engagements

The Climate Reality Project, India



Working as a group can accomplish more, and more productively, than one person can on their own. Sharing talks with initiatives of APSWDP has proven to one of such experiences. The commonness of thoughts and ideas have been the highlight of the association. Wish the best in years to come.

Jas K Shan, Speaker, Life Coach, Explorer & Wellness Expert, Chandigarh

Indeed, it is great to get associated with APSWDP for jointly organizing a programme on Mainstreaming of Transgender Community: A Dialogue at the State Library on 27th August 2022, which was one of its kind initiative in propagating a vibrant momentum in society. Through, this programme, we came across various dimensions of the association. The event gauged wider coverage of diverse social domains focusing on the Inclusive Development approach. To my surprise, the association has grown beautifully into a multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary global network of young development professionals dedicatedly engaged in a voluntary capacity. We look forward to our association with APSWDP in future endeavours as well.



Dr. Neeza Singh, Librarian, T. S. Central State Library, Sector-17, Chandigarh.



Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University takes pride and an immense pleasure to be associated with APSWDP. We feel fortunate to have associated with absolute professionals. We together aim to work for the betterment and upliftment of the society keeping in mind the National Education Policy 2020 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to sensitize through Community Driven Development programs. All the events conducted collaboratively have been of world-class, high quality, highly enriching and enlightening. The speakers invited were renowned and have strong content knowledge. The coordination for the events has been a smooth sailing and an immense support rendered. We look forward to a long and fruitful association.

Dr. Sangeeta Pant, Dean Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University, Punjab

Great Associations bring fortune! The signatory MOU between Signicent Information Solutions LLP and the Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) has been highly fruitful. It's been a great journey so far. I would sincerely like to extend my gratitude for having great sensitizing sessions together. We look forward to more such enlightening events to create an impact. Let us keep working together to bring the change. In the end, I am thankful to all the esteemed members for sharing their thoughts and valuable time.







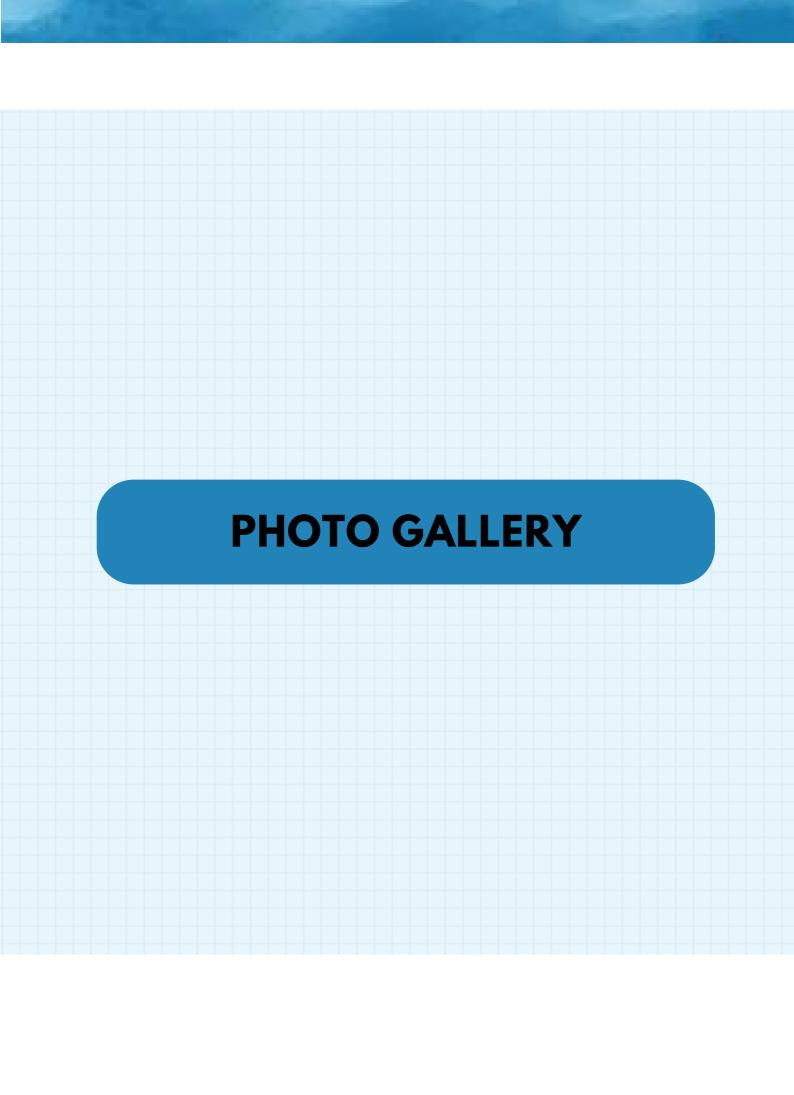
I would like to convey my sincere gratitude and thanks to the APSWDP team for providing me with an extremely useful and enlightening opportunity to be a panelist for Virtual Dialogue on "Women Empowerment and Social Cohesion "and also feel privileged to meet and share with so many distinguished scholars. I enjoyed, learned, and liked every session and the whole gamut of the Virtual Dialogue. It was indeed a successful conference of such an international standard! I'm looking forward to collaborating again soon.

Ms. Komal Chawla, Sr. Learning Experience Designer, College of Business and Law, RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia.

APSWDP intends to catalyze vibrancy in thoughts and actions in Promoting Social Work Education for Sustainable Development through building capacities of educators and trainers, empowering and mobilizing youth, and accelerating sustainable solutions at the local level. I am happy to see the perpetual momentum propagated by APSWDP among young educators and practitioners in the country, which is gradually becoming global and being recognized at various levels including the United Nations.

Dr. Rajan M. Welukar, Gandhian Philosopher and Former Vice-Chancellor, Mumbai University.















































































































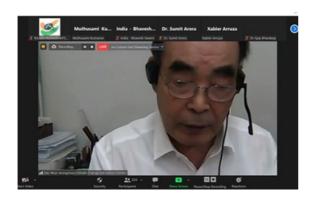
























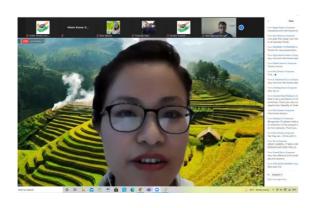




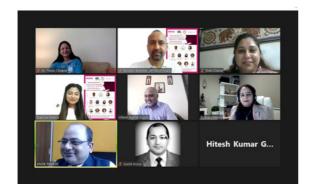








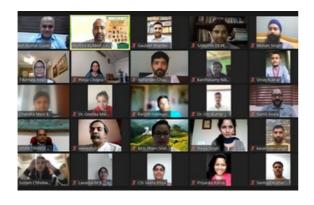


































































































































































































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1. United Nations Special Consultative Status under Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) was established by the United Nations Charter as the principal organ, under the authority of the General Assembly, to promote:

a.higher standards of living, full employment, and conditions of economic and social progress and development;

b.solutions of international economic, social, health, and related problems; and international cultural and educational cooperation; and

c.universal respect for, and observance of, human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion.

Under the Charter, the Economic and Social Council may consult with non-governmental organizations (NGOs) concerned with matters within the Council's competence. The Council recognized that these organizations should have the opportunity to express their views and that they possess special experience or technical knowledge of value to the Council's work. Under ECOSOC resolution 1996/31, NGOs that wish to consult with ECOSOC on certain matters may seek and be granted consultative status to facilitate this work.

Consultative Status

The basis for the consultative relationship between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations was set forth in the mid-nineties following an extensive intergovernmental review that culminated in ECOSOC Resolution 1996/31. This relationship is the principal means through which ECOSOC receives input from NGOs into its deliberations at public meetings and in its subsidiary bodies as well as in UN international conferences and their preparatory bodies. Each year the approximately 3500 NGOs now holding consultative status receive the provisional agenda of ECOSOC. They have certain privileges to place items on the agenda of ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies; they may attend meetings, where they may submit written statements and make oral presentations to governments.

The UN Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations is a standing committee of the ECOSOC. Its mandate is set out in ECOSOC Resolution 1996/31.

The main tasks of the committee are:

a.the consideration of applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification submitted by NGOs.

b.the consideration of quadrennial reports submitted by NGOs in General and Special categories. c.the implementation of the provisions of Council Resolution 1996/31 and the monitoring of the consultative relationship.

d.any other issues which the ECOSOC may request the Committee to consider.

2. Affiliated with the Department of Global Communications (DGC) of the United Nations.

The Department of Global Communications, previously known as the Department of Public Information (DPI), was established in 1946, by General Assembly resolution 13 (I), to promote global awareness and understanding of the work of the United Nations.

3. Registered with European Commission (E.U.) as an Expert under Research and Innovation Programs.

The European Commission is the EU's executive arm. It takes decisions on the Union's political and strategic direction. The Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is registered as an expert under research and innovation programs.

4. Registered under the National Institution of Transforming India (NitiAyog- former Planning Commission of India).

The National Institution for Transforming India, also called NITI Aayog, was formed via a resolution of the Union Cabinet on January 1, 2015. NITI Aayog is the premier policy Think Tank of the Government of India, providing both directional and policy inputs. While designing strategic and long-term policies and programs for the Government of India, NITI Aayog also provides relevant technical advice to the Centre and States.

The Government of India, in keeping with its reform agenda, constituted the NITI Aayog to replace the Planning Commission instituted in 1950. This was done in order to better serve the needs and aspirations of the people of India. An important evolutionary change from the past, NITI Aayog acts as the quintessential platform of the Government of India to bring States to act together in the national interest, and thereby foster Cooperative Federalism.

At the core of NITI Aayog creation are two hubs. Team India Hub and the Knowledge and Innovation Hub. The Team India Hub leads the engagement of states with the Central government, while the Knowledge and Innovation Hub builds NITI's think-tank capabilities. These hubs reflect the two key tasks of the Aayog.

NITI Aayog is also developing itself as a State of Art Resource Centre, with the necessary resources, knowledge, and skills, that will enable it to act with speed, promote research and innovation, provide strategic policy vision for the government, and deal with contingent issues.

5. Accredited with United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

Since its inception in 1972, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has been the global authority that sets the environmental agenda, promotes the coherent implementation of the environmental dimension of sustainable development within the United Nations system and serves as an authoritative advocate for the global environment.

UNEP's mission is to provide leadership and encourage partnership in caring for the environment by inspiring, informing, and enabling nations and peoples to improve their quality of life without compromising that of future generations.

UNEP works on delivering transformational change for people and nature by drilling down on the root causes of the three planetary crises of climate change, nature and biodiversity loss, and pollution and waste. UNEP employs seven interlinked subprogrammes for action: Climate Action, Chemicals and Pollutions Action, Nature Action, Science Policy, Environmental Governance, Finance and Economic Transformations and Digital Transformations. Through its campaigns, particularly World Environment Day, UNEP raises awareness and advocates for effective environmental action.

Headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, UNEP works through its divisions as well as regional, liaison and out-posted offices and a growing network of collaborating centres of excellence.

UNEP works closely with its 193 Member States and representatives from civil society, businesses, and other major groups and stakeholders to address environmental challenges through the UN Environment Assembly, the world's highest-level decision-making body on the environment.

6. Observer Status with United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA).

The United Nations Environment Assembly is the world's highest-level decision-making body on the environment. It addresses the critical environmental challenges facing the world today. Understanding these challenges and preserving and rehabilitating our environment is at the heart of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The Environment Assembly meets biennially to set priorities for global environmental policies and develop international environmental law. Through its resolutions and calls to action, the Assembly provides leadership and catalyses intergovernmental action on the environment. Decision-making requires broad participation, which is why the Assembly provides an opportunity for all peoples to help design solutions for our planet's health.

7. UNESCO MIL ALLIANCE

The UNESCO MIL Alliance, formerly known as Global Alliance for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy (GAPMIL), is a groundbreaking effort to promote international cooperation to ensure that all citizens have access to media and information competencies. Yet, organizations and individuals from over a hundred countries have agreed to join forces and stand together for change. This pioneering initiative was launched during the Global Forum for Partnerships on Media and Information Literacy which took place from 26 to 28 June 2013, in Abuja, Nigeria, aiming at:

- articulating concrete partnerships to drive MIL development and impact globally;
- enabling the MIL community to speak as one voice on certain critical matters, particularly as it relates to policies;
- further deepening the strategy for MIL to be treated as a composite concept by providing a common platform for MIL-related networks and associations globally.

8. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) established an international environmental treaty to combat "dangerous human interference with the climate system", in part by stabilizing greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere. It was signed by 154 states at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), informally known as the Earth Summit, held in Rio de Janeiro from 3 to 14 June 1992. It established a Secretariat headquartered in Bonn, Germany, and entered into force on 21 March 1994. The treaty called for ongoing scientific research and regular meetings, negotiations, and future policy agreements designed to allow ecosystems to adapt naturally to climate change, ensure that food production is not threatened, and enable economic development to proceed in a sustainable manner.

The following organizations have signed MoU with the Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) for building partnerships toward promoting Social Work Education for Sustainable Development:-

- Chitkara University, Punjab is one of the pioneer universities of Northern India, running
 various Schools of Studies on its campus. Chitkara College of Education is one such school
 being run by the university and the college has been working for many years towards teacher
 training, skill development, and capacity-building teachers, using a variety of techniques and
 methods such as workshops, seminars, and field exposure as part of the curriculum to polish
 and groom its teachers to take the challenge of the future.
- Women's Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (WICCI) Chandigarh is Union Territory (UT) level council and a premier National Business Chamber for women envisioning Global Impact for Women Entrepreneurs, Business Women & Professionals from all walks of life. Supported by the massive global & influential women's network, viz. G100, All Ladies League (ALL), Women Economic Forum (WEF) & SH Economy, with 250,000 members & industry leaders worldwide, WICCI drives fundamental changes in governmental policies, laws, incentives & entrepreneurial ecosystems, with a view to robustly encourage & empower women in business, industry, and commerce across all sectors and field.
- Signicent Information Solutions LLP (India & USA) is a well-established firm with 80+ experts that assist businesses globally in their technology innovation, patents, trademarks, valuation, licensing, tech transfer & market research needs. The company has divisions, namely Technology Research, Patent & TM Research, Pat View BI Dashboard, and Market Research to provide seamless solutions.
- Anant Enterprises, Chandigarh is established in the year 2000 working with the SWISS Government (INFRAS) to save the ozone layer through capacity-building training programs of muti stakeholders including RAC Technicians, trainers, and government officials, etc. Anant Enterprises has worked with China, Bangladesh, Iran, Maldives, Afghanistan, Thailand, Myanmar, Bhutan, Nepal, Pakistan, Laos, Cambodia, DPR of Korea, etc. apart from European Countries.
- Molecular Diagnostic & Research Laboratories (MDRL) is a registered research-based organization that endeavours to work on various health issues related to research in the country by developing affordable new test kits for serious illnesses. In addition, MDRL also focuses on initiating research projects on the related health issues with various universities, and research institutions in the country as well as abroad.

- Wheelchair Cricket Association of India (WCFI) is a registered not-for-profit federation of state-level wheelchair cricket associations for inclusive development and empowerment of Persons with Disabilities.
- Alliance Française Chandigarh is recognized by the French Embassy in India, Alliance Française de Chandigarh has played a pioneering role in promoting French culture in the City Beautiful ever since its inception in 1983. As a part of the Alliance Française network, consisting of fourteen other institutions spread across the nation and Nepal, and numerous institutions the world over, we strive to bring the disparate, yet similar cultures of India and France.
- Chandigarh University (CU) is a private university located in Mohali, Punjab, India. The university was established on 10 July 2012 by an act of Punjab State Legislature, Chandigarh University has been accredited 'A+' by NAAC in 2019.
- Consortium of Business Mentors and Advisors (CBMA) is a unit of Ekant Associates, is into Education and Skill Development, Coaching & Mentoring and Business Transformation at Chandigarh.
- Women for Women Support Services is a Canadian Non-Profit Organization which works on the objectives of women empowerment through women support groups and related services, counseling services, and initiatives that help women become economically, socially, emotionally and physically strong, self reliant and independent.
- **E[co]work Association** is a Swiss-based not-for-profit organization that exists within the meaning of Art.60 ff. ZGB (Swiss Civil Code). The purpose of E[co]work is to promote, assist and support the implementation of solutions that aims to improve the environment, economic and/or social conditions in the waste sector.
- Asia Climate Change Education Center (ACCEC), Jeju, South Korea is a global training center jointly established by Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Korea and Jeju Self Government Province in 2009. The main goal of the ACCEC is to establish a collaborative system of domestic and international climate change education through professional courses and promoting a world class hub of climate change education institute in Asia being accredited by United Nations (UNESCO).
- **Bule Hora University, Ethiopia** is a pioneer government educational institution officially organized by Ministry of Education of Ethiopia. The university was officially established by proclamation No 213/2011 (213/2003 E.C) as one of the Ethiopian government higher education institutions.

- Integrated Association of Medical, Basic and Social Scientists (IAMBSS) was founded with an aim to ameliorate health research primarily through the amalgamation of various disciplines. Registered under Societies Registration Act 1860, this organization is a global rostrum that has enthralled huge interest for its exclusive inventiveness to consort academicians, researchers, clinicians, and social scientists from different disciplines on a common platform with an aim to integrate and strengthen scientific acquaintance. IAMBSS believes that exchange and networking among the medical, social, and basic scientists in India and abroad can be instrumental in attaining sustainable development in the field of health research. This organization also focuses on policy research and its implementation through fostering the convergence in multidisciplinary science.
- Sanrakshad is a civil society, think tank working on the preservation, conservation of biodiversity, environment, climate change advocacy, and water harvesting for more than a decade in Uttar Pradesh based at Kanpur.
- Regional Institute of Cooperative Management (RICM) Chandigarh is a regional level training institution under the National Council of Co-operative Management, an Autonomous Society promoted by the Ministry of Cooperation, Government of India based in Chandigarh with the following objectives:
 - i.evaluate various courses in cooperative training and suggest measures for improvements;
 - ii.to arrange for the provision of consultancy services to cooperatives, particularly on problems of management;
 - iii.to arrange training for small-scale entrepreneurs, particularly in rural areas to encourage cooperation amongst them and adopt cooperative methods to enhance their business;
 - iv. to arrange for training and other activities relating to encouragement of cooperation amongst other stakeholders of cooperative sectors in the country;
 - v.to strive for making efforts to achieve the motive to strengthen the cooperative movement in the Country.
- Aradhana Viklang Vikas Charitable Trust is a registered, not-for-profit organization working for the empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) through social support, parasports, and life education in Gujarat.
- Yayasan Pendidikan Graha Kirana, Indonesia is a social foundation duly established pursuant to the laws of the Republic of Indonesia, and is engaged in education field and other development sector through thier other associated institutions referred as Sekolah Tinggi Ilmu Hukum Graha Kirana (A Law University) and Sekolah Tinggi Ilmu Ekonomi Graha Kirana (An University of Economy).

APSWDP MEMBER'S LIST 2020-23

APSWDP MEMBERS LIST 2020-23

S. No.	Name	Member Category	Year of Joining	Country
1.	Amandeep Singh	Life Associate	2020	India
2.	Sudeep Agnihotri	Life Associate	2020	India
3.	Priyanka Vaid	Life Associate	2020	India
4.	Dr. Geetika Malhotra	Life Associate	2020	India
5.	Y S Awana	EM	2020	India
6.	Dr Antonia Colibasanu	EM	2020	Romania
7.	Dr. S S Dhaliwal	EM	2020	India
8.	Baldeep Singh	Life Associate	2021	India
9.	Vinay Kumar	Life Associate	2021	India
10.	Nirmal Jot Kaur	Life Associate	2021	India
11.	Pallav Mukherjee	EM	2021	India
12.	Dr. A P Singh	EM	2021	India
13.	Dr. Sanjeev	EM	2021	India
14.	Dr. Rakesh Gupta	EM	2021	India
15.	Intan Tengku Kemala	COM	2021	Indonesia
16.	Sanjaya Devkota	СОМ	2021	Nepal
17.	Helen Grace Antonio	COM	2021	Philippine
18.	Dr Veena Joshi	COM	2021	India
19.	Prasoon Shukla	COM	2021	India
20.	Prafful Sharma	Life Associate	2021	India
21.	Rivti Chand	Life Associate	2021	India
22.	Sanjay Jaggi	Life Associate	2021	India
23.	Karan Kaila	Life Associate	2021	India
24.	Ravi Sharma	Life Associate	2021	India
25.	Hiratan Dey	Life Associate	2021	India
26.	S. Kapthianmuan Ngaihte	Life Associate	2021	India

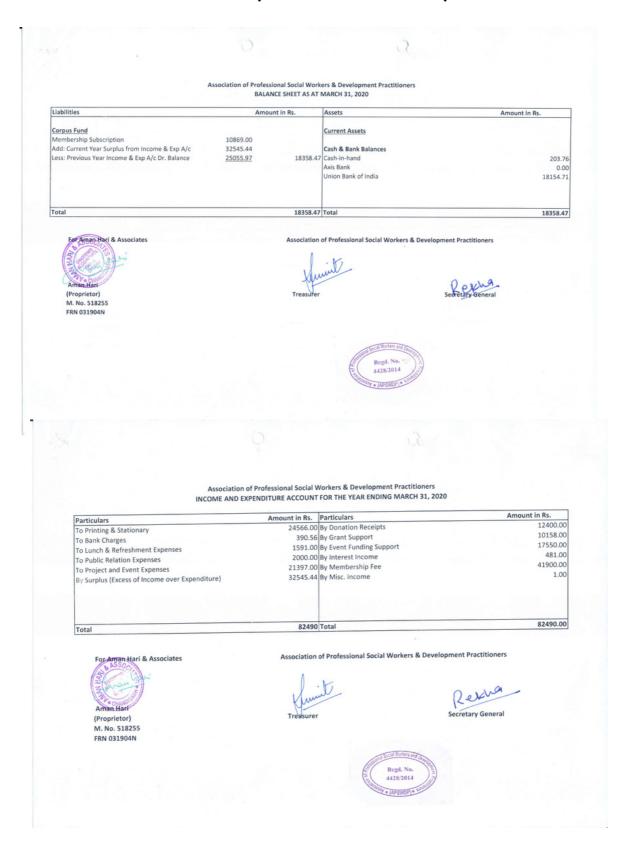


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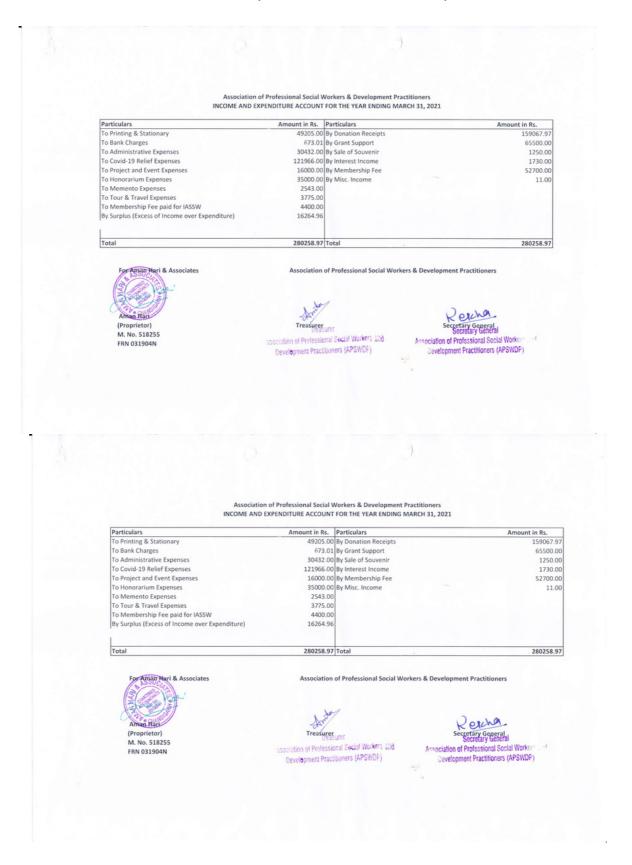
No.	Name	Amount	Date	Cumulative
	Since Incepti	on	09.05.2020	3,40,720.00
1.	Dr. Sumit Arora	1000.00	11.05.2020	3,41,720.00
2.	Nitin K Singla	3098.00	14.05.2020	3,44,818.00
3.	Kiranjeet Kaur	2100.00	15.05.2020	3,46,918.00
4.	Dr. Sumit Arora	5000.00	29.07.2020	3,51,918.00
5.	Prafful Sharma	10000.00	31.05.2021	3,61,918.00
6.	Sandeep Meharwal	4000.00	04.06.2021	3,65,918.00
7.	Karamveer Singh	2500.00	23.07.2021	3,68,418.00
8.	Mastan Singh	2000.00	25.07.2021	3,70,418.00
9.	Vivek Trivedi	7000.00	01.09.2021	3,77,418.00
10.	Rekha Trivedi	10000.00	26.10.2021	3,88,418.00
11.	Rekha Trivedi	3000.00	15.01.2022	3,91,418.00
12.	Vivek Trivedi	5000.00	15.01.2022	3,96,418.00
13.	Vivek Trivedi	5000.00	13.04.2022	4,01,418.00
14.	Vivek Trivedi	1000.00	24.06.2022	4,02,418.00
15.	Vivek Trivedi	1000.00	10.08.2022	4,03,418.00
16.	Vivek Trivedi	500.00	03.01.2023	4,03,918.00
17.	Bharti Joshi	5000.00	11.01.2023	4,08,918.00
18.	Ashish Kishore	15000.00	28.01.2023	4,23,918.00

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FINANCIAL REPORT F.Y. 2019-20 (AUDITED STATEMENT)



FINANCIAL REPORT F.Y. 2020-21 (AUDITED STATEMENT)



FINANCIAL REPORT F.Y. 2022-23 (AUDITED STATEMENT)

ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORKERS & DEVELOPMENT PRACTITIONERS BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31-03-2022				
LIABILITES	AMOUNT(RS.)	ASSETS	AMOUNT(RS.)	
CORPUS FUND 34,623.43 - Opening Balance 34,623.43 - Add : Surplus during the year 2,04,241.20	2,38,864.63	CURRENT ASSETS AND Cash In Hand Bank Accounts TDS 2021-22	528.76 2,33,335.87 5,000.00	
TOTAL:	2,38,864.63	TOTAL:	2,38,864.63	

In terms of our separate report of even date attached FOR GARG ANKUSH & CO

Chartered Accountants

SD/-

(CA ANKUSH GARG)

Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners

Membership No 537990 Firm Reg No 029881N

UDIN: 22537990AWACBC3382

Place: Panchkula Date: 01.09.2022

SD/-Secretary

SD/-Treasurer

ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORKERS & DEVELOPMENT PRACTITIONERS					
INCOME & EXPENDITURE A/C FOR THE YEAR FROM 01-04-2021 TO 31-03-2022					
PARTICULARS	AMOUNT(RS.)	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT(RS.)		
To Bank charges	1,140.80	By Donation Receipt a/c	55,601.00		
To General Body Meeting Expenses	10,025.00	By Grant Received	19,95,100.00		
To Support to DIC	46,134.00	By Event Income	50,000.00		
To Honorarium	41,000.00	By Interest received	13,477.00		
To Internet & Website Charges	12,119.00	By Membership Fee	19,160.00		
To Printing Material	17,009.00				
To Programme & Event Expenses	54,525.00				
To support to MSW Student	10,000.00				
To TI Project Expenses	17,37,144.00				
To Net Profit	2,04,241.20				
TOTAL:	21,33,338.00	TOTAL:	21,33,338.00		

In terms of our separate report of even date attached

FOR GARG ANKUSH & CO **Chartered Accountants**

SD/-

(CA ANKUSH GARG) Membership No 537990

Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners

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संसाधनों के अनावश्यक दोहन से संपूर्ण मानव जीवन पर संकट : प्रो. मितल

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केची बंधे तात विश्वविद्यालय के प्रया बार्च विश्वार एवं एव्हेरिय्यार और ग्रेवेशावर वेदार कार्य एहं डेवरायेंट प्रिस्टास संस्थ बंद्रेष्ट द्वर एक रिकारेंच कार्यकाल का अर्थाना किया गया कार्यशास में क्यांत पुरविद्येत सम्बंधित करते हुए विश्वविद्यालय के इन्हरीत और राजकृत्वत विकास में करा कि प्रकृतिक संस्थानों का अंधानुंध दोहन पह का संपूर्व बनना जीवन के लिए एक कहा संबद है। प्रजीने बात कि तमें प्रकृति के साथ वैधीपूर्ण संबंध रावते हुए सतत् संबीधत जननी ऑक्कार से जुड़कर प्रकृतिक संस्थानों का संस्था करने में अपने नात्वपूर्ण पुनिका अस

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विद्यार्थियों से सामाजिक कार्यों में रुचि लें व ग्रामीण विकास के भागीबार बनने का किया आहार

संगोत्सल विद्यार्थयद्वालय सन्दान कार्य विश्वान एवं विन्हारून औष प्रेवेशनवा एवंकिएला आँच विकासन विकास कांग्री पूर विकासित विकासन परित्र प्राप्त प्रतिकृत एक विकासित कांग्रीला को यां, वार्यकारण में कांग्रील प्रत्यां की वार्यकारण के कांग्रील के वार्यकारण विकास में वार्यकार वार्यकारण विकास में वार्यकार प्रत्यां प्रत्यां कांग्रील कांग्रील एक बात कांग्रील कांग्रील कांग्रील एक बात कांग्रील कांग्रील कांग्रील वार्यकार वार्यकार कांग्रील वार्यकार वार्यकार कांग्रील वार्यकार वार्यकार कांग्रील



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कि हमें प्रकृति ने सब कुछ दिया है, इसके बदले हमें के प्रकृति के ता हवं जुड़ान ने तथ हुआ तथा चेन्द्रिय स्थान प्रवाद है। हमारे कारो हमें चे पूर्वति के नेती के हमारे की उनकार कर नित्र बहुत बुद्ध कारों की जमारत संस्थानों के दुश्यमा को रेकने हैं। उनकी विद्यापियों से अद्भाव में एक जमारक स्रोतात स्थित विद्या कि वो कार्यानक कारों में जो पूर्वाचा ने कारा करें। स्थाप से वो स्थानिक कारों में जो पूर्वाचा ने कारा करें।

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संसाधनों का अनावश्यक दोहन से संपूर्ण मानव जीवन पर संकट : प्रो.आरके मित्तल

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जिल्लाहें। कार्यराज्य की समेदिया करते कुलाईर से राज्युनार विकास

तित बहुत कुछ पत्तो भी जनवा है। जनीर विद्यालये से उत्हार दिन्हा कि से स्टालिक मार्ग में

रांचे को इसके प्री- जाराव्या का स्थानकों के दुवसकों को पेसने से दुक जानाक स्थानक की प्रत-वाँ स्कृतिक दिनाने का साम की इन्होंने जिल्हें स्थान करा की

संसाधनों के अनावश्यक दोहन से मानव जीवन पर संकट



मीर्विएलम् में कार्यकाल को सर्विधन करने हुए कुलकी हो , आरके मेनन । 🛊 विज्ञति ।

जगरण रांकाद्यातः, विकासे । चीचरी बेसी लाल विजयविद्यालय के समाज कार्य विधान याचे यसोसियका ऑफ प्रोफेशनल सोकल वर्कर्स रोट देवलफॉट प्रेक्टिशनर संस्था चेटीगढ़ को ओर से एक दिवसीय कार्यशाला में बतीर मुख्यातिथ संबोधित करते हुए विश्वविद्यालय के कलपति प्रो. राजकमार मिताल ने कहा कि प्राकृतिक संसाधनों का श्रीपार्युच देहन धरा पर संपूर्ण मानव जीवन के लिए एक बहा सेवट है। एक दिवसीय कार्यशाला में एसोसिएरान ऑफ प्रेपेशनल वर्जनी र्रंड देवलयमेंट प्रैविट्यानर संस्था के

गुलाटी, ख. सुनित अरोहा और टीपोसी इंडिया से आदित्य पुंडीर ने बरीर रिसोर्स पर्सन विद्यार्थियो क्ये सामाजिक एकजुटता तथा वैदियक संयुक्तता का सुदृष्टीकरण पर अपने अपने विचारों से कार्यशाला कार्यशाल का आयोजन किया गया। में सहधारिता कर रहे विद्यार्थियों एवं सामाजिक कार्यकर्ताओं का जानवर्धन किया। कार्यशाला में मेच का संचालन कावाल धारद्वाल ने फिया। इस अवसर पर सामाजिक कार्यकर्ता सोमा बेसल, मीना जांबहा, छ. मुलबज, प्रोफेसर विकास कुमार, हा. जिलेन्द्र कुमन सहित अनेक विद्यार्थिये एवं सामाजिक कार्यकर्ताओं ने संस्थापक विशेष दिवेचे, हितेश कार्यशाला में संस्थामित की।

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चंडीगढ़। विश्व कार्य समाज दिवस के उपलक्ष्य में शनिवार को सेक्टर- 43 स्थित ज्युडिशियल अकादमी में कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया। इस बार 'हम लोग हैं, इसलिए हम हैं' विषय पर कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया। कार्यक्रम में 15 सामाजिक कार्यकर्ताओं को कोरोना काल में बेहतर कार्य करने के लिए पुरस्कृत किया गया। कार्यक्रम में एसएलएसए के सचिव महावीर सिंह, एसडीजीसीसी के क्षेत्रीय प्रमुख विकास शर्मा, सीजेएम अशोक कुमार, संगठन संस्थापक विवेक त्रिवेदी, हितेश गुलाटी मौजूद रहे। ब्यूरो



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- International Conclave on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation: Issues,
 Challenges and Solutions to UN SDG-13 in partnership with Chandigarh university https://techinvent.cuchd.in/assets/img/conclave/International-Conclave-on-Climate-Change-Adaptation-and-Mitigation.pdf
 - E-NGO Challenge Award 2020 https://engochallenge.org/enablement-empowerment-2019/
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 - Teachers Training Programme with Chitkara University https://demo.chitkara.edu.in/v1/news/chitkara-college-of-education-organises-a-two-day-virtual-capacity-building-training-workshop/
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 PRID=1843908
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