

SGRC Updates – January 2025

Progress and Achievements from Sarthak Global Resource Center

January was a month of growth, innovation, and impactful activities at Sarthak Global Resource Center (SGRC). From experiential learning sessions to skill development and successful job placements, SGRC continued to push boundaries in its mission to empower persons with disabilities (PwDs) and promote inclusion. Here's a roundup of our highlights for January 2025.

Vision in the Dark – A Unique Experience

The *Vision in the Dark* sessions remained a powerful initiative to foster empathy and raise awareness about the challenges faced by individuals with visual impairments. This month, six sessions were conducted, engaging 15 participants who left with a deeper understanding of disability inclusion.

Employment Centre – Building Careers

Our Employment Centre worked tirelessly to support job seekers with disabilities, securing 76 job placements in January. Twenty-five participants actively engaged in placement activities, with key corporate collaborations under initiatives like *Business Process Optimization & Recruitment Inclusivity (B-PORT)* and *Disability Understanding & Insights Training (DUIT)*. We also forged new partnerships with organizations such as Patanjali Store, Pantaloons, Career Inn, Ardhaya Associates, and Mota Bhai Mini Mart, expanding the scope of inclusive employment opportunities.

Skill Development Centre – Upskilling for Success

The Skill Development Centre continued to offer comprehensive training to help PwDs enhance their capabilities. With 16 ongoing batches—1 offline and 15 online—we conducted 400 training sessions, attended by 265 eager learners. These sessions focus on vocational training, digital literacy, and job readiness, equipping participants with the tools they need to succeed in the modern workforce.

Early Intervention and Rehabilitation Centre – Laying Strong Foundations

Early intervention plays a crucial role in empowering children with disabilities. This month, our EI & Rehabilitation Centre registered 41 new beneficiaries, taking the total number of registrations

to 223. A combination of 160 therapy sessions (88 online and 62 offline) provided essential support and care, helping children achieve developmental milestones.

Global Accessibility Development Centre (GADC) – Empowering Innovation

GADC continued to drive innovation by supporting start-ups dedicated to developing accessible solutions for PwDs. In January, outreach efforts connected us with 13 new start-ups, and 8 of them joined the 2nd cohort of GADC. We look forward to the transformative impact these start-ups will create.

A Vibrant Community of Visitors

SGRC welcomed 31 visitors in January, including stakeholders, partners, and well-wishers. Our interactive programs and initiatives attracted a diverse group of individuals aged between 18 and 50. Peak visiting hours were from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, offering a lively environment for collaboration and learning.

January's journey reflects the dedication and enthusiasm of the entire SGRC team. As we move forward, we remain committed to our mission of empowering persons with disabilities and building an inclusive society. Stay tuned for more updates and inspiring stories in the months to come!

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