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World Dwarfism Awarenes Day



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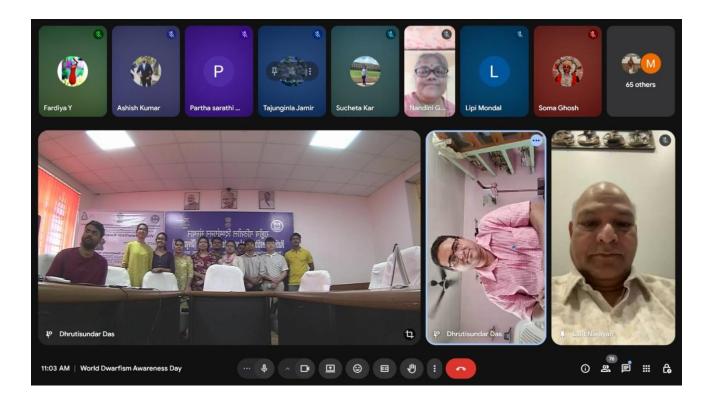
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Report on World Dwarfism Awareness Day 2025

Organized by the Department of Prosthetics and Orthotics National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (Divyangjan), Kolkata Date: 25th October 2025

The World Dwarfism Awareness Day 2025 was commemorated on 25th October 2025 at the National Institute for Locomotors Disabilities (Divyangjan), Kolkata. The event was organized by the Department of Prosthetics and Orthotics with great enthusiasm and active participation. The primary objective of the program was to raise awareness about dwarfism, celebrate the achievements of individuals with dwarfism, and challenge the misconceptions and stereotypes associated with the condition. The initiative aimed to promote inclusion, acceptance, and equality for persons with dwarfism within society.

The program commenced with an inaugural session graced by **Dr. Lalit Narayan**, Director, NILD (Divyangjan), Kolkata, as the **Chief Guest**. The inaugural ceremony was attended by distinguished guests including **Sri Sougata Banerjee**, Deputy Director (Administration); **Dr. Ameed Equebal**, Assistant Director (Training); **Dr. Himel Chakarborty RO**; and **Mr. Dasarath Chaudhry**, Officer In-charge, NIEPID-RC, Kolkata





In his inaugural address, Dr. Lalit Narayan Director NILD emphasized the importance of awareness and empowerment of individuals with dwarfism and highlighted the need for collective efforts to build an inclusive and empathetic society. His guidance and support were instrumental in the successful organization of the event



After Director sir welcome address, session was addressed by **Sri Sougata Banerjee**, Deputy Director (Administration) Sir.

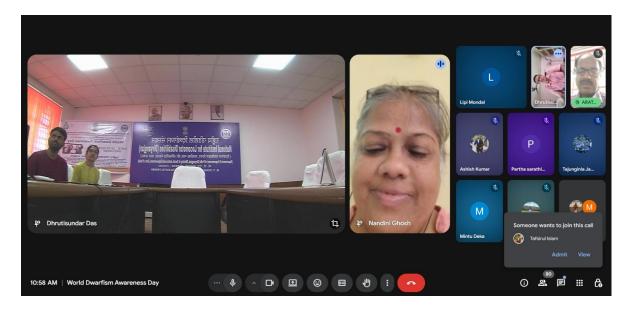
Webinar and Technical Sessions

An **online webinar** was conducted as part of the observance. **Mr. Aratatrana Patra**, faculty (P&O), NILD Kolkata, delivered an informative talk highlighting various aspects of dwarfism, including lifestyle adaptation, education, structural and developmental life cycles, and the importance of social awareness and inclusion. His presentation encouraged meaningful discussion and reflection among the participants.

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Following, the session featured an insightful presentation by **Dr. Nandini Ghosh**, Assistant Professor, Institute of Development Studies Kolkata. Dr. Ghosh spoke on the topic of "Representation and Portrayal of Dwarfism in Media and Its Impact on Cultural Perceptions", elaborating on how media narratives influence societal attitudes toward individuals with dwarfism



The event concluded with a **valedictory session**, where participants shared their experiences and takeaways from the program. The **Vote of Thanks** was proposed by **Mr. Dhruti Sundar Das**, Program Coordinator, who expressed gratitude to the Director, faculty members, resource persons, and participants for their valuable contributions and active involvement in making the event a success.



The program witnessed an overwhelming response, with **over 100 participants** attending the webinar. The event served as a significant platform for knowledge sharing, awareness generation, and promoting inclusivity for persons with dwarfism.



The **World Dwarfism Awareness Day 2025** celebration at NILD, Kolkata, was a **resounding success**, marked by insightful discussions, enthusiastic participation, and a strong commitment toward creating a more inclusive and understanding society. The Department of Prosthetics and Orthotics extends heartfelt thanks to all dignitaries, faculty members, staff, and participants for their support and contribution to this meaningful event.