

Event Report

Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD) 2025

1. Introduction

The Global Accessibility Awareness Day (GAAD) is observed annually to raise awareness about the importance of digital and physical accessibility for persons with disabilities (PwDs). In line with this, CRCSRE Guwahati celebrated GAAD 2025 on **15th May 2025** with the theme “Committing to Change”, under the leadership of **Dr. P. K. Lenka**, Director, CRCSRE Guwahati. The event focused on creating awareness, sensitizing the public, and promoting accessibility through outreach and engagement.

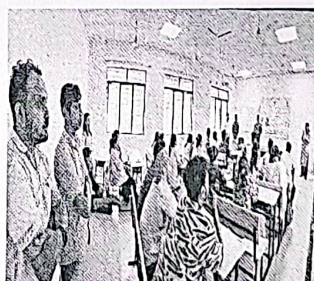
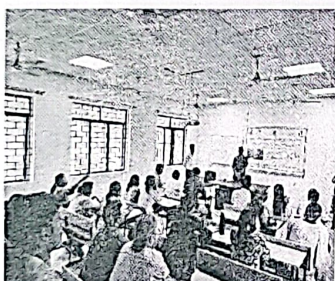
2. Objectives

- To promote awareness of accessibility issues among the public and institutions
- To advocate for inclusive infrastructure in public and private establishments
- To demonstrate the use and importance of assistive devices

3. Program Activities

A. Awareness Talks

- Delivered by Mr. **Mritunjay Kumar (Prosthetist and Orthotist)**, **Shri Raj Kamal Pandey (Rehabilitation Officer)**.
- Topics included the importance of accessibility, challenges faced by PwDs, and legal provisions under the RPwD Act 2016.



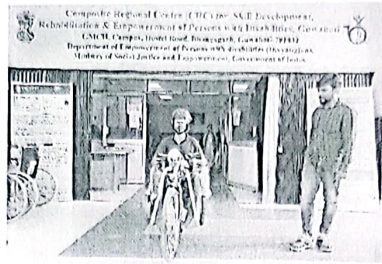
B. Accessibility Outreach Drive

- The CRCSRE teams visited key locations across Guwahati, including government offices, PWD office, ATMs, dental colleges, and other public establishments. The purpose of these visits was to assess the accessibility of infrastructure and to raise awareness among staff and stakeholders about the importance of creating inclusive and barrier-free environments for persons with disabilities.



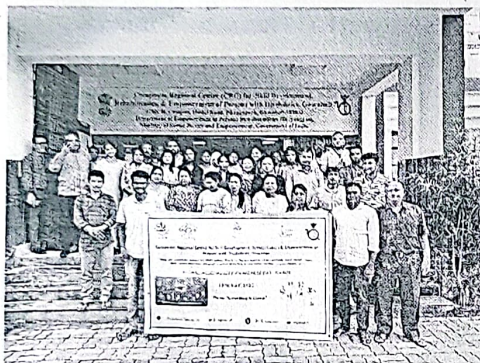
C. Distribution of Aids & Appliances

We distributed motorized tricycles, wheelchairs to persons with disabilities during the event.



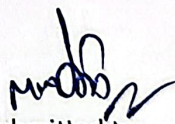
D. Participation

A total of 93 participants attended the event, including Persons with Disabilities (PwDs), parents and caregivers, students and special educators, and CRCSRE staff.



5. Conclusion

The GAAD 2025 celebration at CRCSRE Guwahati successfully highlighted the urgent need for systemic change in how accessibility is understood and implemented. The activities carried out reflect the commitment of the Centre and its stakeholders to building a more inclusive and barrier-free society.


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