

Composite Regional Centre for Skill Development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (CRCSRE), Imphal
(Under the Administrative control of SVNIRTAR, Cuttack, Odisha)
Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India.
Juvenile Justice Board complex, Takyel, Imphal West district of Manipur-795001

Report on Foundation Day & International Day of PwDs 2025

Date: 27th December 2025

Venue: SAI NERC Hall, Imphal

The Composite Regional Centre for Skill Development, Rehabilitation and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (CRCSRE), Imphal, under the administrative control of SVNIRTAR, Cuttack, Odisha, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, successfully observed its Foundation Day & International Day of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) on Saturday, 27th December 2025 at SAI NERC, Imphal.

The programme was organised with the objective of creating awareness about disability rights, rehabilitation services, and the importance of inclusive development, while also celebrating the achievements and contributions of persons with disabilities.

Inaugural Session

The programme commenced at 10:00 AM with the arrival of the Chief Guest and other dignitaries, followed by a felicitation ceremony. A Lamp Lighting Ceremony was conducted to formally inaugurate the event, symbolising hope, knowledge, and inclusion. The ceremony was followed by the rendition of the State Song, reflecting the cultural ethos of Manipur.



The Welcome and Keynote Address was delivered by Shri N. Khoibi Singh, Director, CRCsRE, Imphal, who highlighted the vision, mission, and ongoing initiatives of CRCsRE in the field of rehabilitation, skill development, and empowerment of persons with disabilities. He emphasised the importance of collaborative efforts among government departments, professionals, and the community to ensure equal opportunities for Divyangjan.



The programme was enriched by insightful addresses from the Guests of Honour, namely:

- Shri Keisham Jiteshwor, Joint Director, Social Welfare Department, Government of Manipur
- Shri Laishram Tokendra Ricky, Ex-Chairperson, RCI-NEZCC
- Dr. Jasowanta Singh, Board Member, National Trust, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India

The dignitaries appreciated the dedicated services rendered by CRCsRE and reiterated the government's commitment towards strengthening disability welfare programmes and inclusive policies.



The Chief Guest, Shri Waikhom Birahari, State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Government of Manipur, delivered an inspiring address focusing on the legal rights, social inclusion, and empowerment of persons with disabilities. He encouraged institutions, families, and society at large to work collectively towards removing barriers and ensuring dignity and equality for all.



As part of the programme, prizes were awarded to children who participated in various competitions organised by CRCSRE, Imphal. Assistive devices were also distributed to beneficiaries, marking a significant step towards enhancing mobility, independence, and the overall quality of life of persons with disabilities. This segment reflected CRCSRE's strong commitment to practical support and rehabilitation.



A vibrant Cultural Programme featuring songs and performances was presented, showcasing the talents and creativity of participants. The cultural segment added colour and enthusiasm to the event and conveyed a strong message of inclusion and empowerment through art and expression.





The programme concluded with a Vote of Thanks delivered by Shri Oinam Deepak, Administrative Officer, CRCSRE, Imphal, who expressed sincere gratitude to all dignitaries, participants, staff members, News Media, and supporting organisations for their cooperation and contribution towards the successful conduct of the event. The programme ended with refreshments for all attendees.



The Foundation Day & International Day of PwDs celebration was a grand success and served as a meaningful platform to reaffirm the commitment towards the empowerment, rehabilitation, and social inclusion of persons with disabilities. The programme fostered awareness, collaboration, and positive engagement among stakeholders and the community.

Media Coverage:

1. All India Radio, Imphal News
2. Local Media News Channel- Mami TV, SKTV, ISTV & Local Newspapers