

To the New Beginnings

On the auspicious occasion of Diwali, Spark Minda Foundation established their second centre for the empowerment of people with disabilities – “Saksham Divyang Sashaktikaran Kendra “in Noida, Uttar Pradesh. The centre has been functional since September, 2021. The centre was inaugurated by Ms. Sarika Minda, Chairperson – Spark Minda Foundation, Ms. Kanika Batra, Mr. Pramode Parasramka, MD – MSEPL, Mr. Praveen Kumar Karn, Head Group CSR – Spark Minda Foundation among other members of the Foundation and people from the community. Also On October 25th, 2021, Spark Minda foundation inaugurated ‘Beauty and Wellness Center’ in Uttarakhand thereby adding one more program to skill the people of Pantnagar. The centre was inaugurated by Mr. Mahesh Yadav (Stakeholder), Mr. Indrajeet Pal (Stakeholder) and Mr. LM Joshi (MCL Plant head) along with MCL CSR team. Uttarakhand team, learners and nearby community members joined the celebration.



Eye Health Camp

Adhering to the covid-19 protocols, Spark Minda foundation organized free eye health camps in Uttarakhand, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, and Haryana in the month of October. These camps were organized in collaboration with Vision Spring India with the aim to provide eye checkup in the areas that lacks healthcare infrastructure. Through these camps we were able to provide assistance eye-checkup facility to 4882 people and corrective glasses to 3357 people residing in the rural pockets.



The Pune Saksham Camp

An empowerment of Persons with Disabilities camp was organized at Chimbali Phata, Pune for ten days from 15th to 24th December, 2021 . The camp provided PwD's an opportunity to avail benefits of free of cost assistive aids, job facilitation, and Unique Disability ID card registration. Covid-19 Protocols were followed throughout the camp and we were able to reach 1024 divyags through fitments.

World Disability Day

On the occasion of World Disability Day on 3rd December, Spark Minda Foundation with the Rotary Club organized a camp for the empowerment of people with disabilities in Noida. The camp provided prosthetic and orthotic fitments, distribution of assistive aids, registration support for UDID and support for employment to the Persons with Disability (PwDs). All of these services were provided free of cost to the PwDs and the camp spanned for two days, the 3rd and 4th of December, 2021.

Through this camp, the Foundation reached 237 people with fitment aids, assistive aids, UDID registration and employment support.

Additionally, the Spark Minda Foundation distributed 40 School bags along with Bottles and Tiffins to the children with intellectual disability. The team also donated 200 blankets to Persons with Disability of Kashipur and Rudrapur for the ongoing winter season.



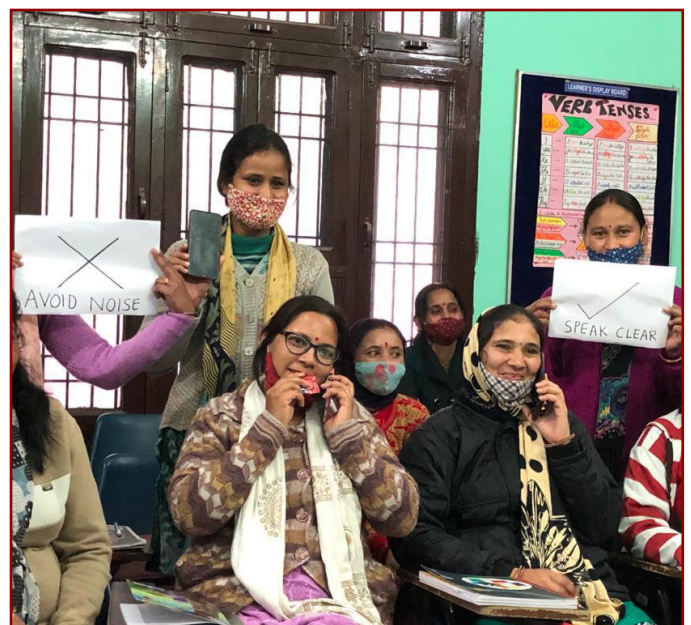
Cloth Donation

As winters are approaching, Spark Minda Foundation Pune joined hands with the nearby factories to start a cloth donation campaign. Clothes were collected from the factories that were in good conditions and were donated to Prerna Bhavan which is Mother Teresa's home for sick and dying destitute.



Students Empowerment Activities

At Spark Minda Foundation the learners are not only provided with just core program skills but also provides additional skills to widen their understanding of subjects and employability. Special sessions such as Loan scheme for entrepreneurs by Bajaj CSR trust, Makeup products by Vaishali (makeup artist), Hardware training by MCL IT department were organized for the learners. Along with this, Sessions on Email and phone etiquettes, personal hygiene, and self-introduction were provided to the students for additional information apart from the trade. Similar trainings on behavioral module were provided to students of government school.



DST Convocation

On 1st November, 2021, the Spark Minda Foundation organized the convocation ceremony of the 3rd batch of Dual System of Training for the students of ITI Nizamuddin. The convocation was attended by Mr. M.K.Pajan, Advisor CSR – Spark Minda Foundation, Mr. Praveen Kumar Karn, Head Group CSR – Minda Corporation Limited, Mr. Vikas Gupta – Plant Head – MSEPL, Mr. Bharat Bhushan – Plant Head – MCL DCD and Mr. Mahendra Singh Bhatti – Plant Head – MCL SSD among other dignitaries from Spark Minda Group. The ceremony was also attended by Mr. Sebastian Augustee, Principal – ITI, Nizamuddin and trainers and faculty from the college.

15 students were felicitated and the induction of the upcoming batch was also conducted on the same day. The ceremony also witnessed participation from Mr. Debiprosad Chakraborty, Wadhvani Foundation, our partners for soft skill training to the students, addressed the students on the importance of soft skills and explained the process to be followed.



Festivities Celebration

On the occasions of festivals such as Diwali and Christmas, the Foundation organized various events such as Diya decoration, Rangoli competition, DIY Christmas for the students to participate. The objective of such events is to provide holistic development of the learners and also facilitates cross-learning and team work.

