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**MOBILITY INDIA** (MI) established in Bangalore, as a registered society, in 1994 and Regional Resource Centre in Kolkata, 1998. MI has its field offices for Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) projects in urban slums of Bangalore, Jigani, Anekal Taluk Chamarajanagar, Karnataka and Garden Reach, Kolkata.

Mobility India has been a progressive force in making a change in the disability, development and rehabilitation sector. Mobility India promotes inclusive development work by providing services and providing education and training programs in the areas of assistive technology, including prosthetics, orthotics, wheelchairs, rehabilitation therapy, community based rehabilitation and accessibility.

MI's reach over the last two decades has been in South, East, North-Eastern Regions to address the real needs of the people and strives for the inclusion of people with disabilities in all development activities.

MI has perfected a blend of disability and non-disability at all levels and is an innovative organisation. MI has a team of 150 staff members, of which 41 are persons with disabilities and 70 are women.

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## Vision

An inclusive and empowered community, where people with disabilities, their families and other disadvantaged groups have equal access to education, health, livelihood and enjoy a good quality of life.

## Priority

People with disabilities, especially the poor, children, women and older people.

## Mission

- Assisting in poverty reduction.
- Promoting inclusive development.
- Facilitating access to services related to rehabilitation and assistive devices.
- Developing appropriate human resources in the field of disability, development, healthcare, rehabilitation and assistive technology at national and international levels.
- Capacity building of grassroots organisations in the field of disability, development, rehabilitation and assistive technology.
- Undertaking R&D in appropriate assistive technology and making assistive devices more accessible and affordable.
- Realising the aspirations of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), Incheon Strategy to 'Make the Right Real' for Persons with Disabilities and all related national legislations.



*The National Award For 'Outstanding Work In The Creation Of Barrier Free Environment For Persons With Disabilities' by the Ministry Of Social Justice And Empowerment, Department Of Disability Affairs, Government Of India was awarded to Mobility India on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2014, at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi.*

**My dear Albina and staff,**

Mobility India....National Awardee for Empowerment of Persons physically challenged.

V.P Marika has just alerted me to this piece of excellent news. And I join in with her enthusiasm at the Governments recognition of the immense part and leadership that you have undertaken and spearheaded with MI over these past 20 years.

What a hard steep uphill road you have had to climb all these years...and to me YOU HAVE NOW REACHED THE TOP!. I know that you will all do whatever is in your power and hearts to continue to keep Mobility India right on top in all aspects of your work. My very sincere congratulations to you Albina and all for making it happen.

**Mr. Brian .J.MILLAR**

Founder & President, MIBLOU

**Dear Albina,**

Credit goes to all of you. Congratulation. Enjoy and celebrate - Proud of your achievement.

**Mr. Chapal Khasnabis**

Technical Officer, WHO  
Founder Director, Mobility India

**Dear Albina,**

A hearty congratulations from all of us at CBM. It is well deserved and a recognition of all your efforts and the hard work of your dedicated team CBM is proud of being partner to you in this.

Warm regards,

**Dr. Sara Varughese**

Regional Director, CBM

**Dear Albina and ALL the Staff esp All the CBR Teams,**

I congratulated you on the phone, but felt I must place on record to ALL the Staff Members, as I have seen over the years how diligently you all worked, going to Shops/Offices Vidhana Soudha, MG Road & other roads, High ways & by ways, slums, semi-urban localities and villages and especially Chamarajnaragar; these great strides you confidently took have earned accolades at the World CBR Conferences, other conferences and esp at the time of the International Wheel Chair Conference.

My family also sends their warmest greetings to ALL, as they were there at MI's 20th year Celebration of the Dazzling Dance when you, Albina, as MI Director, was publically scolded by our Chief Guest, for not applying for this Award and honour for the past so many years. May God continue to guide MI to greater achievements especially for the benefit of the poor.

**Ms. Romola Joseph**

Secretary, Mobility India

## Director's Message



*The 20th Anniversary 2014-2015 is a year of significance and celebrations. Mobility India receives The National Award for “Outstanding Work in the Creation of Barrier Free Environment for People with Disabilities” by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Department of Disability Affairs, Government of India, a benchmark for this year.*

*Looking back over the two decades, our accomplishments, emerging challenges, continuous effort to excel stands out to validate our existence. MI has been instrumental in promoting inclusion and empowerment and changing lives of people with disabilities, their families and other disadvantaged groups, especially the poor.*

*Basic care and services are important to any mankind for better quality of life. The number of people with disabilities is on a continuous rise due to population growth, ageing, chronic and lifestyle diseases such as diabetes, cardiovascular ailments, cancer and injuries due to road accidents, war and conflicts.*

*Mobility India with support of USAID/World Learning extended rehabilitation services in particular therapy services, supported 16 grass root organisations and trained rehabilitation therapy professionals to reach people in the remotest areas in the eight conflict affected North and North-Eastern States of Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Nagaland, Odisha, Tripura and West Bengal.*

*2014-15 has been a year of scaling the programmes -Mobility India received a sub-grant from World Vision to carry out activities under the JSI-USAID funded project entitled 'Accelerating Core Competencies for Effective Wheelchair Service and Support' (ACCESS), to improve the quality of wheelchair service provision and deliver WHO Basic, Intermediate, Manager Training to wheelchair service personnel to increase human resource capacity.*

*The community programmes, particularly the expansion of the inclusive education programme with a commitment to include all children with disabilities has traversed a long path. As Karnataka State lead partner to CBM, MI along with like-minded NGOs jointly launched 'Include Vidya' campaign where all lobbied with Ministry for Primary Education to review their policies related to rights to education and the need for inclusive education for children with disabilities in India. A memorandum with 18 recommendations was handed over to the ministry, of which 5 were accepted.*

*Geographical isolation, poor connectivity and infrastructure, regional conflicts and slow economic growth makes the Eastern part of India more vulnerable. MI proposes to have an Inclusive Development Centre at Guwahati which can act as a catalyst for a wider impact as well as an example for best practices. It aims to promote community-based inclusive development programmes, provision of services and strengthening grassroots organizations and disabled people's organizations. Using Participatory Action Research and promoting networking with active involvement of persons with disabilities will be the key aspect of the strategy.*

*On behalf of Mobility India I, Albina Shankar take this opportunity to extend gratitude to the international and national agencies, professional bodies, our service users, partner organisations, well-wishers, individual donors and volunteers for their technical and financial assistance. I also express my heartfelt thanks to the Governing Body Members for their guidance and support and I accredit our dedicated staff for their invaluable efforts, with passion and commitment.*

*With excitement in our hearts, we look forward to the coming year. We have much to be proud of, and will continue to build on our firm foundation. Our sense of belonging, commitment and respect for human dignity in the communities will scale up to new heights in realizing our vision- A world where every person is respected and valued for who they are and leave no one behind.*

Warm Regards

**Ms Albina Shankar**  
**Director**  
**Mobility India**



# Celebrations 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



## Staff members appreciated for their long service :



Ms. Albina Shankar  
20 years



Ms. Ritu Ghosh  
18 years



Mr. Soikat Ghosh Moulic  
17 years



Ms. Jaikodi  
17 years



Mr. Amit Kumar  
17 years



## The Way Forward – “Towards an Inclusive and Enabling Future”



A vision of improving the lives of people with disabilities, their families and other disadvantaged groups, especially the poor has successfully traversed the long path of two decades. To celebrate this milestone, a series of unique events were organised and graced by eminent dignitaries, professionals, donors, service users, partners and friends of MI.

**Dazzling Dance on Wheels** a unique dance programme presented by **Ability Unlimited Foundation (AUF)**, New Delhi, was organised in Bangalore. An ensemble of singularly gifted performers showcased a rich repertoire that drew on Bharatanatyam, Bhagwad Gita, Sufi Dance and Yoga - beautifully choreographed by Guruji Syed Salladdin Pasha and staged radiantly by wheelchair-bound and hearing impaired artistes. The performance more than lived up to its reputation as 'a new natya shastra for the differently abled' leaving the audience unanimous, in that there could not have been a better way for MI to ring in its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

**Free Preventive Health Check-up Programme** with a special focus on women and elderly saw as many as 365 people residing in and around Jayanagar and J P Nagar areas come to MI for check up. Leading hospitals in Bangalore like **Apollo Hospital, Bhagwan Mahaveer Jain Hospital, Bengaluru Hand Centre, Dr. S R Chandrashekar Institute of Speech and Hearing, Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Narayana Health, R V Dental College & hospital and Nethradhama Hospital** participated in this voluntary effort. The programme was unveiled by **Dr. K S Ravindranath, Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences**. In his inaugural address, he emphasised on the need of such preventive healthcare initiatives to address the increasing trend of rural population under threat of non-communicable and lifestyle diseases like diabetes, heart ailments and increasing road accidents. Congratulating MI, **Mr. Chandrashekar, BBMP Corporator** offered to extend all possible support for any such activities in the future. **Ms. Hodges, from Zurich Financial Services** stated that she was proud of their long association with MI.

**AUGUST 2** was the grand finale of celebrations through a half day orientation on 'The Way Forward - Towards and Inclusive And Enabling Future' followed by awards, recognitions and the showcase of talents by staff and students.

**Mr. Chapal Khasnabis**, Technical Officer, WHO -Geneva & Founder Director of Mobility India, as Chief Guest, delivered his keynote address on 'Global Health Scenario and Assistive Technology'. Mr. Khasnabis cautioned that, while in the last century the world was under serious threat from Communicable Diseases, now it is increasingly under threat from Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD), Mental Health Diseases (MHD) and Road Traffic Injuries (RTI) and Ageing, accompanied by gradual functional decline. The WHO had, therefore, shifted its focus from vaccines, medicines and medical devices to Assistive Health Technology (AHT) with the objective of sustaining 'Active and Productive Ageing'.

Speaking on the topic 'Ageing, the Elderly and Disability', **Dr. Gift Norman**, Deputy Director, Baptist Hospital & Board Member of MI, stated recent studies indicated that nearly 25 per cent of senior citizens in India were being abused. 'Accessibility' and 'Social Security' are for immediate attention in the context of Inclusive Development of the Elderly.

**Ms. Meera Saxena**, Acting Chairperson, Karnataka State Human Rights Commission, spoke on 'Human Rights and Disability' and suggested that NGOs like MI could diversify into related areas like creating public awareness about the rights of senior citizens, women and children. **Mr. K. S. Rajanna**, Commissioner for Disabilities, Government of Karnataka, while lauding MI's services, suggested that it could reach out to remote rural areas and larger populations. **Mr. David Nash**, Global Employee Engagement Manager, Zurich Community Trust (UK) Ltd and **Ms. Marika Millar**, Executive Director, MIBLOU-Switzerland in their brief addresses acknowledged their proud association with MI. Staff members who had completed 5, 10, 15 years and above were honoured.

## Jo Millar Memorial award

Dedicated in the memory of Ms. Jo Millar, Founder Vice President of MIBLOU

An important feature of the inaugural session was the presentation of the **First 'Jo Millar Memorial Award'** to the outgoing student **Mr. Madhesha Naika**, in recognition of his 'Outstanding performance both in academics and in overcoming barriers'.

**Madhesha**, a poor youth from an obscure village in Chamarajanagar District of Karnataka, had to take up part-time work to support his family, finally emerged as the topper of his batch of Bachelor of Prosthetics & Orthotics (BPO) course at MI. **Ms. Sarojini Raita** (polio-affected) is the fourth of six children of a poor Odisha farmer was also appreciated for completing the One-Year Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant (RTA) course overcoming multiple barriers - physical, financial, social and linguistic. Both were fully supported students of MI.



# Major Activities



REHABILITATION SERVICES



EDUCATION & TRAINING



COMMUNITY BASED  
INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION  
OF APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY



NETWORKING  
& COLLABORATION



CAPACITY BUILDING &  
PARTNERSHIP WITH  
GRASS ROOT ORGANISATION



# REHABILITATION SERVICES



**B**asic care and services are important to any mankind for better quality of life. Fifteen percent of the world's population have a disability and eighty percent live in low and middle income countries, where often access to services are limited. Mobility India caters to a wide spectrum of services ranging from providing appropriate prosthetic & orthotic devices, wheelchairs and other mobility devices and therapeutical interventions to ensure better participation, leading to good quality of life. Rehabilitation professionals are always advancing towards strengthening and improving the access to appropriate services.

## Rehabilitation Services

Assessments

Therapy Follow-up Sessions

Home-based Therapy

Assistive Devices

Developmental Aids

2013-2014

2014-2015

	Total	MI-B Centre	MI-B Partner	MI-K Centre	MI-K Partner	Total
Assessments	3458	2350	492	412	953	4207
Therapy Follow-up Sessions	7838	1346	-	3157	303	4806
Home-based Therapy	5198	4923	-	-	201	5124
Assistive Devices	6229	5352	467	712	658	7189
Developmental Aids	521	334	11	45	233	623

## Innovation plays catalyst in reaching out to children with cerebral palsy-Quicker.

More than **15 percent** children in India experience developmental delay due to Cerebral Palsy. Postural and motor control are the major challenges they encounter. Lack of appropriate positioning and active voluntary movement may lead to musculoskeletal complications in children with delayed development milestones.



MI provides standing frame, sitting chair, corner seat and special chair along with orthotic/therapeutic interventions to improve a child's functional ability. These devices need to be replaced 6 months to 1 year. Accommodating multiple devices is also a challenge for low-income families.

To address this concern, MI designed 'Twin Device' with specific adjustment features according to a child's developmental status to sit or stand. This device can be used for a period of 3 years. It is helpful in reducing spasticity by weight bearing, facilitating postural control, maintaining alignment and preventing muscle contractures and deformities. One time investment ensures longer duration use.

## Footcare solutions

Foot orthosis is widely prescribed but little is known about the effect of materials composition, design and user comfort. MI provides a wide range of material composition and custom designed insoles as per individual need. The acceptance rate of foot orthosis has also increased significantly over the years. On an annual basis, there is a 15 percent increase in the number of foot orthosis delivered compared to the previous year.

Mohammed Mazz, now a 10 year old boy, had delayed development since birth, and upon assessment was diagnosed with 'Cerebral Palsy', for which regular physiotherapy was recommended. His family hails from Yarab Nagar, Bangalore, from a low income strata . His mother is his caretaker , while his father works hard to provide the essential needs of the household.

He was referred to MI in 2009, and though he was then a 4 year old, he could hardly sit or stand independently. He was assessed and provided with a 'Standing Frame' and 'Ankle Foot Orthosis' (AFO).

Using these devices continuously, along with regular therapy for 2 years, he was able to stand upright with wall support. Taking into consideration his steady pace of improvement, a Reverse Walker was suggested for his regular use.

For the past 4 years he has attended Iqra Public School, and is presently in the first

grade. His mother says, "Today, after 9 years of struggle, he is able to walk independently, with supervision. He has come a long way in achieving a few developmental milestones, and has miles to go before he achieves them all."



## Effectiveness of monitoring tools for the fabrication process of prosthetic and orthotic devices

Perceptions of quality control measures and protocols are varied across the Prosthetics & Orthotics fraternity. Though various quality control checks are available, monitoring tools for identifying the standard of comfort and functionality of prosthetic and orthotic (P & O) devices at every stage of fabrication are yet to be made possible.

A consensus seminar in order to understand the effectiveness of monitoring tools in provision of P & O devices was organised by MI and **Christian Medical College, Vellore** with support from **ICRC-Special Fund for the Disabled**. The seminar initiated an internal auditing of monitoring tools. During the analysis, over **350** files for below P & O devices were audited at MI.

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Transfemoral  
Prosthesis

77

Knee Ankle  
Foot Orthosis

53

Transtibial  
Prosthesis

214

Ankle Foot  
Orthosis

**Outcome:** The audit helped in standardising monitoring tools to identify and control possible errors at each stage of fabrication. It will be helpful in capacity building of professionals. The monitoring tools has to be further tested for validity, reliability and sensitivity across geographical and clinical set ups.

# GAIT Training Protocol

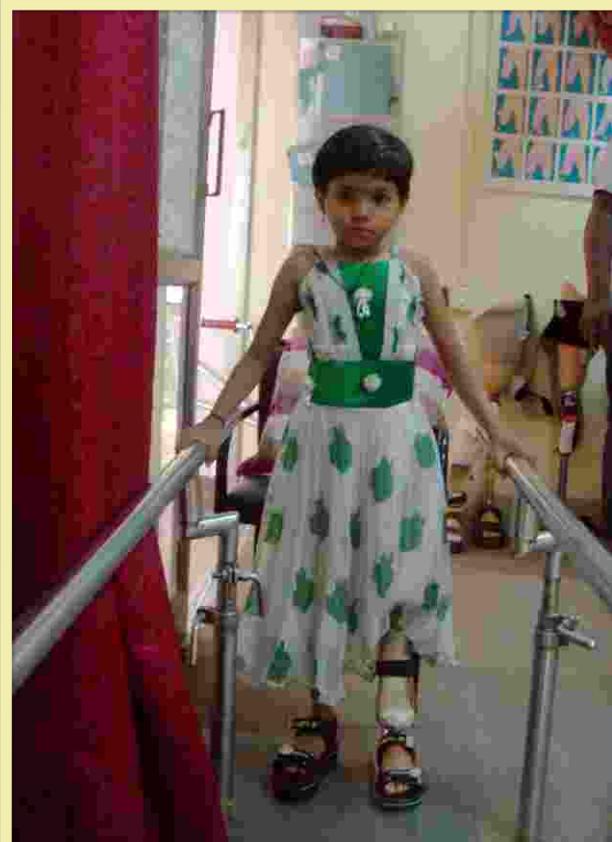


In an extensive process of acclimating with the prostheses, amputees need appropriate training and support. Having a methodical approach at a place for GAIT training will enable the therapists for precise goal setting and prescribing appropriate level of training. Taking these factors into consideration the **GAIT Training Protocol (GTP)** exclusively aimed for lower limb amputations was introduced to assess the ambulatory capacity of the service user.

The goal for GAIT training is based on the two major outcome measures 1. Amputee Mobility Predictor with Prosthesis, AMPPRO, measures an individual's endurance to ambulate with prosthesis 2. Locomotor Capability Index, LCI, the individual's perceived capability to carry out the loco motor activities. The

outcome measures, varying from person to person, needs to be addressed accordingly to decide the functional level and duration of training to be provided. Post completion of training, outcome measures are re-tested to decide discharge of the service user or suggest advanced functional activities.

In MI's experience, the scope of advanced functional activities is high in case of amputees receiving training as per GTP. MI provides GAIT training to 120 individuals with amputations annually in accordance with GTP. The recent research & development activities includes a study on above and below knee amputees to identify the success factor attained through GTP as well as what more enhancements can be made to the GTP for an adequate Rehabilitation mechanism.



Vidya, a 7 year old girl is the only child to her parents, who hail from Gulbarga District, Karnataka State. Her mother had a normal delivery for her and Vidya was a healthy child till she turned 2 years. She had infections in her left leg, diagnosed as Femur Osteomyelitis (a kind of fungal infection of bone, causes range from blood stream transfer to injury). Since the infection persisted she underwent a surgery during which her left femur was excised leading to uneven length and difficulty in walking.

After assessment she was provided with Left Extension Ortho-Prosthesis (prosthesis attached to her hip to distribute the weight of her body more on hip while standing and walking). As an initial step, she is trained to walk with the support of railing for balance control. Once she is comfortable with balancing, she will be trained to walk on different surfaces replicated to give a real life look and feel. Her father is also educated regarding the use of the development aid so that Divya can continue her practice even at home. Her father said "We are happy with the kind support provided by MI. I really appreciate the effort and endurance MI puts into Divya. Now I can dream that one day my Divya will be independent and will attain better education".

We hope the continuous effort of Divya, her family and MI will succeed one day and soon Divya will be able to stand on her own and walk miles towards a bright future.

# EDUCATION AND TRAINING



**M**obility India attains the status of the only institute in India to be affiliated for ISPO complete CAT II program and is on it's way for the second round consultation for CAT I affiliation. Today, organizations, institutions and the government all speak of creating an inclusive society. In this endeavor, making public spaces accessible and creating awareness among the mass is just a fragment of this entire process. Development and building of human resources in the field of disability is vital to the entire process of rehabilitation. However, the demands for rehabilitation professionals are still high. This creates a void, a shortage of these professionals in remote areas away from the urban population. To combat this shortfall, Mobility India has incessantly been working towards educating and training young people across different rehabilitation programs.

# 1<sup>st</sup> Batch of women from Yemen, professionally trained

Yemen is a country that has a considerably higher percentage of people with disabilities due to accidents, war and land mines. Like many low income countries, Yemen also has a shortage for qualified trained professionals to cater to the rehabilitation need of people with disabilities.

To overcome this gap in collaboration with ICRC, MI started training personnel since 2004, till date, **27 men** have been trained who are now working in rehabilitation centres and serving the need in their country. However, cultural barriers prevented provision of rehabilitation services to women with disabilities.

A long time dream of MI to train women professionals from Yemen was achieved this academic year. For the first time, there were 4 women who convinced their families, came out of their country and are trained as professionals in Prosthetics and Orthotics.



Ms. Ruqaiyah Nasser, one among the 4 women, recalls her memories on how she reached MI and underwent training in P & O.

“Before coming to MI I worked as a staff nurse at Algemene Hospital in Mukalla city- Yemen, where I saw lot of people with disabilities, and wanted to do something for them. During that time Dr. Ahmed, Centre Manager informed about the P & O course at MI and suggested that I take it up. I had no idea of what the course was. I had a chance to work with Mr. Hani Bansoode, In-charge of P &O who also was trained at MI. I developed the keen interest, and decided to take up the course. At home, it took a lot of convincing, for my parents to allow me to come here. I explained to my mother, how a course like this would help women in our country, where it is difficult for men to attend to women patients, due to cultural norms. It is after much persuasion that my mother finally agreed.”

## Professional Development of Rehabilitation Therapy Assistants in Eight Conflict- Affected states

It has been a long struggle in the field of disability to ensure accessible rehabilitation services and adequate resources for remote conflict-affected East/North-eastern states of Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh Jharkhand, Nagaland, Orissa, Tripura and West Bengal. There is an acute shortage of trained rehabilitation personnel to facilitate services to support their rehabilitation need or inclusion in the society. Furthermore, the scope to upgrade professional skills is quite less.

MI has partnered with 16 organizations from these states to create a pool of professionals in these conflict zones. 19 students trained in Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant course and are observed to execute their learnings in the field thereby, strengthening the organizations capacity and increasing their reach to the remote areas. 6 more students are being trained.

# MOBILITY INDIA reaches to

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# Conflict Zones



Emanuel works as a Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant at BCH (Baptist Christian Hospital) in Tezpur. He was working in BCH for around 8 months when he attended a workshop conducted by MI in Kolkata. There he was referred for RTA (Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant) Course at MI. After successfully completing the course at MI, he has started working in the RTA section of BCH.

Today he works with over **21 Children** and **31 Adults** with disabilities. His quote **“I was not much sure about how therapy is provided, how to identify people with disability. The RTA Course at MI has equipped me with vast knowledge, exposure and expertise in my work. We should reach out to more and more people with disability and spread awareness about their Rights”** according to him. He is working with people mostly suffering from Cerebral Palsy, Post-Polio Residual Paralysis and Mental Retardation. Their scope of treatment also caters to visually impaired elderly people.



## A study on professional skills and development needs of Rehabilitation Therapy Assistants (RTAs), working in India and Nepal.

Globally, there is a paucity of rehabilitation professionals and existing training programs are mostly impairment focused. To address this need, MI developed a one year Rehabilitation Therapy training program in 2002, recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India. 136 students from 9 countries in South Asia and Africa have graduated to date. Different approaches and tools are used for evaluating MI's training programmes for further development and also to ensure that the educational environment in the centre is conducive and student centred.

In order to improve the training on Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant, MI conducted a study with the aim of identifying the professional skills and the developmental needs of the graduates working in India & Nepal. The study was conducted with 26 graduates working in different settings within 16 organizations in India and Nepal, and also with 25 RTA supervisors and 23 service users. The work zones of these professionals are spread across non-governmental and other institutions, intervening cases of diverse conditions from children to adults.



## Training Professionals for Wheelchair Service Provision

It is estimated that there are more than 70 million people worldwide who require wheelchairs, yet only 5-15 percent of people have access. The wheelchair is one of the most commonly used assistive devices for enhancing personal mobility, which is a precondition for enjoying human rights and living in dignity. Providing appropriate wheelchairs not only enhances mobility, it assists people to become productive members of their communities.

In developing countries, mostly people depend on the donated wheelchairs which are often of very poor quality. While wheelchairs are distributed in bulk, it is hardly taken into account that even wheelchairs need to be prescribed according to the individual need. Health and Rehabilitation professionals are not always adequately trained to ensure people have access to appropriate and quality wheelchair.

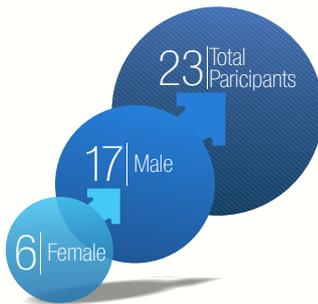
WHO in partnership with United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has developed the Wheelchair Service Training Package - Basic Level, Intermediate Level and Manager Level. The main purpose of the training package is to develop the skills and knowledge required by personnel involved in wheelchair service delivery. An important aim of the training package is to get it integrated into the

regular paramedical/rehabilitation training programs such as physiotherapy, occupational therapy, prosthetics and orthotics, rehabilitation nursing.

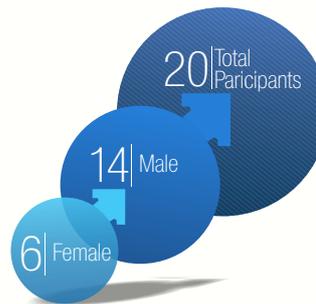
MI is implementing the “Accelerating Core Competencies for Effective Wheelchair Service and Support” (ACCESS) project supported by World Vision and JSI-USAID in India, to improve the quality of wheelchair service provision, ensuring consistency and sustainability.

MI is delivering WHO Basic, Intermediate and Managers Training to wheelchair service personnel to increase the human resource capacity for quality wheelchair service delivery and is conducting orientation programmes for academic and service institutions across India.

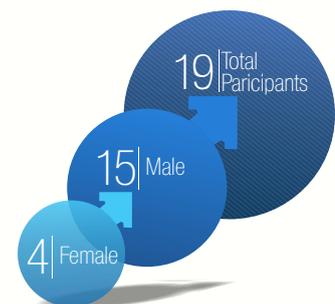
The training and orientation programs were facilitated by a team of qualified Physiotherapists, Prosthetists & Orthotists.



16th - 20th Sept, 2014  
WSTP - Basic



23rd - 27th March, 2015  
WSTP - Basic



28th - 29th Jan, 2015  
WSTP - Manager

Participants were from Hyderabad, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh



Wheelchair Service Training Package- Basic Level



Wheelchair Service Training Package- Manager Level

# TRAINING PROGRAMS



A total of 1156 candidates (208 Prosthetic & Orthotic Technologists, 109 RTAs, 434 in CBR & 405 in wheelchair service provision) representing 26 countries have been trained in last 12 years. It is estimated about 3 million PWDs received their services.

99% of total students represent low and lower middle income countries 42% of total students are women 26% are people with disability

## COURSES

- ▶ Bachelor in Prosthetics & Orthotics (BPO)
- ▶ Cat II Single Discipline: Certificate in Lower Limb Prosthetics (clp) / Lower Limb Orthotics (CLLO)
- ▶ Cat II: Diploma in Prosthetics and Orthotics – Combined
- ▶ Certificate in Rehabilitation Therapy (CRT)
- ▶ Wheelchair Service Training Package - Basic Level (WSTP-B)
- ▶ Wheelchair Service Training Package - Manager Module (WSTP-M)
- ▶ Trends on Rehabilitation Therapy and inclusive development
- ▶ Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR)

Students with Plus 2

Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, Prosthetists & Orthotists, Nurses and other Rehab Professionals

Therapist, P & O

Community facilitators, Anganwadi workers, Asha workers

# COMMUNITY BASED INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS



**M**obility India (MI) has been promoting community based inclusive development with a multi-sectorial strategy. MI's CBID program ensures education, access to health, creating awareness, livelihood opportunities and social services for persons with disabilities, their families and other disadvantaged groups. MI's CBID program presently covers 23 urban slums, 379 villages across urban, peri-urban settings of Bangalore and Chamrajnagar, Karnataka. Activities also extends to 26 grass root organisations in 12 states of Southern, East and North Eastern India. Current year, 23788 people has been reached.

# Education

A total of **3368** education campaigns are conducted across urban, peri-urban settings of Bangalore and Chamrajnagar, Karnataka to create awareness among communities regarding rights to education for Children with Disabilities (CwDs). **68** orientation programs for teachers as well as school management are conducted for ensuring inclusion and participation of CwDs.

School enrolment for **18197** students has been attained. **1973** students has access to education through **100 Community Education Centres (CECs)** established across urban, peri-urban settings of Bangalore and Chamrajnagar, Karnataka.

## Include Vidya Campaign

Among **26.81 million** persons with disabilities in India, **2.36 million** are Children with Disabilities (CwDs), of which only **1.72 million** get enrolment in school. **CBM India** aims to increase enrolment and retention of CwDs in mainstream schools, gain commitment of parents and community as a whole to ensure inclusive education.

CBM organised a global campaign “**Include Vidya**” across seven states of India. The campaign complements the Government of India proposed scheme 'Sarv Shikshana Abhyaan' (SSA) aiming at highlighting the profound challenges faced by CwDs in realising their rights to education and the need for inclusive education for CwD in India.



As Karnataka State lead partner to CBM, MI along with like-minded NGOs, jointly launched the campaign in Bangalore on **21<sup>st</sup> Nov, 2014** with a total **1216** participants. The campaign unveiled in Bangalore by Mr. **Kimmane Rathnagar**, Honourable Minister for Primary & Secondary Education commenced with a 'Walkathon' that was flagged off by Ms. **Usha Patwari**, Joint Director, Directorate of Disability. All the policies related to CwDs were reviewed by SSA officials, **18** recommendations were placed before the Minister for Primary Education of which **5** were announced on **3rd December 2014**, at Bengaluru, by Ms. **Umashree**, Minister of Women and Child Development.

MI-Kolkata participated in the rally conducted as a part of the campaign

## Roopa's inspiring progress .....

12 year old Roopa studies in 5<sup>th</sup> standard at GLPS Mariyala Hundi. Children have one or more favourite teachers in schools and so does Roopa! If we look back at Roopa's life, we are certain to understand why she adores her teacher Suneethamma.

Roopa, the second born to her parents was unable to speak till 6 years and was completely dependent on her mother for daily living activities. On assessment, she was identified with mental retardation and speech impairment.

Though Roopa got admitted in school, initially community members and teachers were apprehensive regarding her ability to study. During the time, MI intervened and oriented her parents to initiate Activities of Daily Living exercises for Roopa. With the support from Education department of Chamrajnagar, orientation programme for teachers on effective implementation of inclusive education was conducted. The programme has formulated an individual educational plan according to Roopa's abilities.



In the meantime Suneethamma's capability to see beyond Roopa's impairment has helped her receive individual attention for her learnings. Roopa has shown significant improvement in her studies and is also an active participant in extra-curricular activities. MI wishes Roopa a bright future ahead.

## Hygiene & Health

Access to sanitation facilities is a basic right for all. People, mostly from rural areas and urban slums end up defecating in open due to lack of basic sanitation facilities. Lack of adequate sanitation affects women and girls in particular, making them more vulnerable to forms of gender-based violence. They restrict their intake of food and water to avoid needing to go the toilet, which affect their well-being.

In India majority of the girls drop out of school because of lack of toilets. Around 1,000 children below the age of five die every day in India from sanitation-related diseases.



Disabled people and elderly people face more difficulties and have increased health risks. To address these concerns, MI launched a campaign to create awareness on the importance of sanitation and hygiene through Anganwadi workers and sensitizing children through education and motivation in our community projects in Chamrajnagar and Anekal. In collaboration with **MIBLOU (Switzerland)**

and local governance, 534 families now have access to toilets and have been benefitted and enjoy a good quality of life in terms of health and hygiene.



This year 5939 people were benefitted through health services across urban, peri-urban settings of Bangalore and Chamrajnagar, Karnataka.

A 'Community Therapy Unit' was established at Honganuru with the support of local Panchayat for bringing appropriate services closer to home. Rehabilitation professionals address home-based therapy, regular therapy and counselling needs of 20 service users every week.

## Awareness

In collaboration with Taluk Health Office and Women & Child Development Department, first stage awareness programme was organized to orient 285 Anganwadi workers and 129 ASHA workers. The result has been praiseworthy, as Anganwadi workers have started discussing issues of disability in their meetings with mothers and pregnant women & Anganwadi workers have started referring new cases to the organisation.

## Livelihood

This year Mobility India provided livelihood opportunities for 571 PwDs and their families. A total of 406 skill development programmes are conducted to enhance the employability of PwDs.

A tailoring unit was established by MI in collaboration with Hennagra panchayat, Jigani, training was facilitated by MI and 18 tailoring machines were sanctioned by the panchayat.



Further to creating livelihood opportunities, a natural masala unit was established in L R Nagar, Bangalore in August, 2014. The unit is located in a community hall and is run by 5 women with personal experience of disability. The marketing and sales is done among the SHGs. Further training in the areas of food processing, packaging and marketing will be needed to scale up the production and services.

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## HEALTH

Awareness programme on ANC/PNC		413	162
Immunization		242	12897
Balance diet & Nutrition food		249	
Reproductive Health		226	931
Diabetes		253	65
Kitchen garden		64	
Street play		4900	
Wall writing		13	
Screening at school & community		971	2242
Spectacles		133	17
General health camp			844
Corrective surgery	6	6	8
Cataract surgery	5	55	5
Assessment	72	354	558
Referrals	105	111	195
Aids & Appliances	76	231	488
Home based therapy		118	2397
Home adaptation	5	81	3
ADL Modification	32	8	
Nutrition support	170		
Life skill training			6

## EDUCATION

School Enrolment	60	224	17913
Home based Education	29	43	65
Special School	18		11
Education campaign	368	1900	1100
Orientation for teachers & Management		68	1
Provide education material for the students	149	566	
Coaching classes	160	940	
Community Education Centres	8	28	64
Community Education Benefitiaries	160	560	1253

## LIVELIHOOD

Disabled ID cards	31	110	57
Bus Passes	18	35	
Physically handicapped pension	36	77	86
Income certificate	64	94	
Provided two wheelers modified bike		15	
Ration card	4	27	185
Widow pension	12	24	1
Old age Pension	21	29	2
Scholarship from Government and JBY		51	99
Health cards (yasawini,Niramaya, RSBY)		12	203
Enrolled in Janashree Bhima yojana			994
Skill development –people with disability	1	84	88
Family/Community	6	120	107
Self employment-PwD	2	51	122
Family/ Community	9	12	350
Wages employment-PWD			25

## SOCIAL

Recreation	190	800	
Summer camp	165	655	48
Children group	90	590	57
Children with disabilities			242
Non-disabled children			3270
Persons with disabilities			1659
Family			3899

## EMPOWERMENT

Advocacy & communication			
Issues	6	18	534
Self help groups	26	57	148
People with disability	13	196	1159
Member's group			148
Family members	269	257	893
Poor family members	31	393	50
DPO	4	2	11
People with disability	31	45	1159
Family members	4	25	893

## CAPACITY BUILDING & PARTNERSHIP WITH GRASSROOT ORGANISATIONS



For the last 20 years, the expertise of Mobility India has reached many grassroots organisations working in the field of disability across PAN India. The best practices of providing rehabilitation services and reaching out to people with disabilities is through existing organisations working in different cities, towns and villages in India – to ascertain that every state has a pool of rehabilitation professionals who can provide their appropriate services to rehabilitate persons with disability. From 2014 -15, Mobility India has started exploring the potential to extend their services to North-Eastern states too.

# Mobility India's technical support lays a strong foundation for quality services in the state of Andhra Pradesh

The previous year initiated the work of establishing a first of its kind rehabilitation centre for people with Spinal Cord Injury. The comprehensive live-in rehabilitation centre, in Visakhapatnam could facilitate around 3000 people with orthopaedic impairment from lower socio economic background. 'The Ability People' (TAP), the network partner of MI has cemented the long need for such professional service provision in this entire region that could meet the requirements of people with various forms of disabilities. The centre is proposed to become fully functional by end of 2015.



Besides, another partner from Visakhapatnam 'Bhagavatula Charitable Trust' (BCT) established a rehabilitation therapy unit that provides therapy services and assistance to people with disabilities. The holistic approach to service delivery entails an important need for skilled professionals apart from establishing a facility unit to cater to people with disabilities. To meet the needs, MI with the support of CBM has sponsored trainings for students from both TAP & BCT so that, they can deliver their service with appropriate expertise and upgraded knowledge.



## MI extends their service to Helping Heart Foundation a new partner to their network

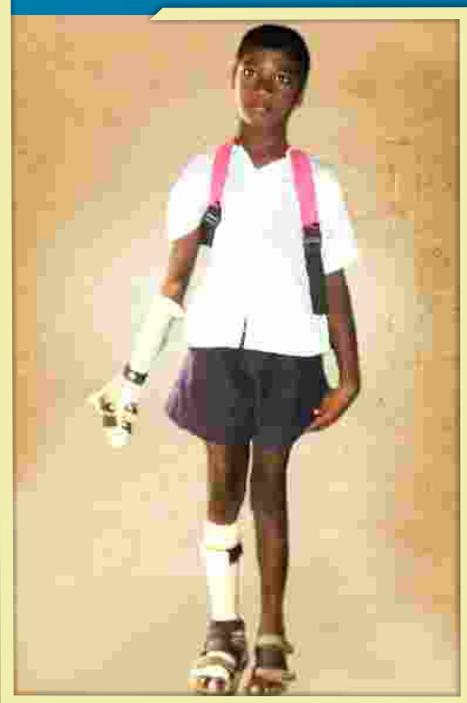
A 24 year old girl receives rehabilitation services for the first time in 22 years, in Helping Hearts Foundation. Due to neurological disorder, she was confined to her small room with limited access to the



outside world. MI's intervention helped her to receive appropriate aids and support for her activities of daily living. Today, her dependency on her mother and sister-in-law has reduced considerably.

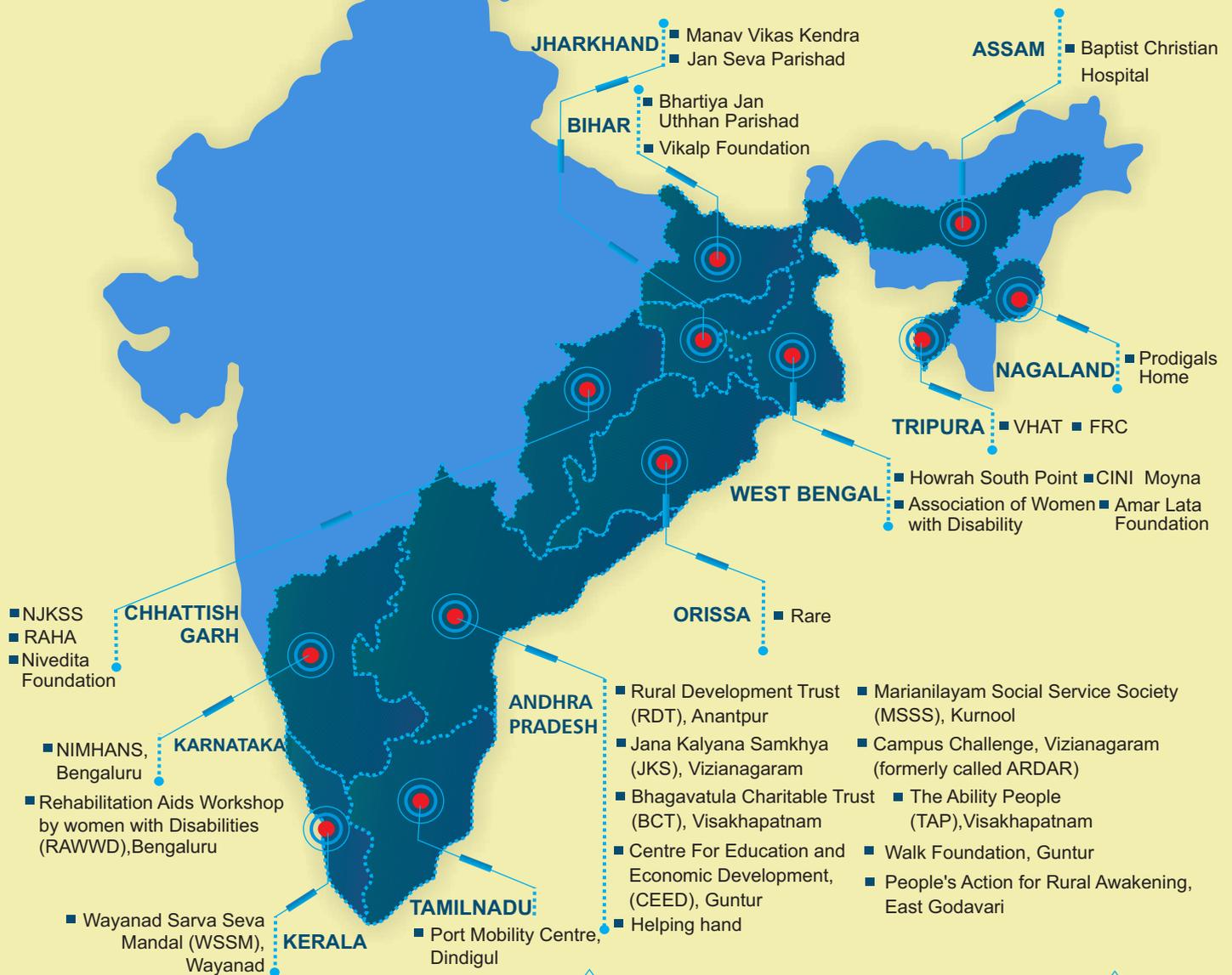
A new partner to MI's network group, Helping Hearts Foundation is a grassroots organisation in Andhra Pradesh. Though, the organisation holds a good connect with the local doctors, who provide their service for surgeries, it was felt by MI that Helping Heart Foundation need training on rehabilitation services in terms of assessment & fitment of aids & appliances - the missing link in providing the complete rehabilitation service by the organisation. Therefore, under the aegis of MI, supported by CBM, candidates from Helping Heart Foundation are trained to strengthen their skills and build the in-house staff capacity for better service delivery.

12 years old Nalla Marriam Raju is the third child of Mr. Satyanarayana and Mariamma. They are a native of Palivela, Kothapeta Mandal, East Godavari District. Both his parents work as daily wage laborers and run the family with the meager amount they earn on a daily basis.



Nalla Marriam Raju was born a normal baby however, when he was 5 years old, he suffered from viral fever that left his right side of the body paralyzed. When his parents noticed the difficulties in their son, he was rushed to the doctor who advised him to undergo regular physiotherapy. Since, the household income was depended on the daily earnings of both the parents, Nalla Marriam was taken for physiotherapy only once a week. His activities of daily living started getting restricted due to his deformed right hand and leg.

People's Action for Rural Awakening (PARA), a grassroot organization working in East Godavari, Andhra Pradesh referred him to Mobility India. After the assessment by the therapists and the clinicians, he was provided with right Ankle Foot Orthosis, knee gaiter and cock-up splint. This has enabled Nalla Marriam Raju to stand on his own and walk. He can eat by himself too. At present he studies in 6<sup>th</sup> Standard and walks to school without anyone's support.



During the financial year, MI-B supported 13 grassroots organisations spread over the three southern states viz. Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. Out of 13, MI worked with 7 direct partners, from which for 2 partners rehabilitation centre was setup and candidates from 3 partner organisations were trained for capacity building for better in-house service delivery.

MI-K partnered with 17 organisations, for 4 partner organisations therapy centre was setup and candidates from 18 organisations received training for capacity building to facilitate better service delivery.

MI partners with 30 organisations spread across 12 Southern, East and North-eastern States directly working with 24 partner organisations for Rehabilitation setup, capacity building of staff and necessary training and providing support to grass root organisations as per their requirement.

# DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION OF APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY

		<p>Transtibial Metal Endo Skeletal Component</p>	
<p>Prefabricated Components for Lower Limb Orthoses</p>			
	<p>Variants of Jaipur Foot</p>		<p>Deluxe Orthotic Knee Joint</p>

Promotion & Development of Appropriate Technology – its relevance in the disability scenario, is a thought to ponder!! Because, technology is pertinent in improving the functional abilities of persons with disabilities. Constant innovation and upgradation of devices is much needed to facilitate services that will improve the quality of life among the disabled.

# Prosthetic Knee Joint

MI has partnered with IIT, Chennai and SBMT (Society for Biomedical Technologies), DEBEL, DRDO to support projects related to development of assistive devices. Previous year, with the funding from SBMT, IIT Chennai developed the first prototype of the prosthetic knee joint which went through its first fitting and trial at MI. After which, suggestions were submitted to IIT, Chennai for modifications in the joint resulting in the development of the second prototype. MI has further carried out the second trial and fitting of the joint and suggestions have been provided for finalizing the field trials.



1st Prototype



2nd Prototype

The first Prosthetic knee joint being indigenously developed in India can be fitted with the Jaipur foot. This combination will make this development suitable for urban and rural persons with amputation. This will meet the Indian socio-economic and geographical conditions.

## MI's technical knowledge reaches Chitradurga:

Providing or seeking proper aid for persons with disability should not be limited to metropolitan cities but, small cities and towns should also be equally equipped to provide rehabilitation services. Such services often involves a process including setting up of workshops through which, aids and appliances can be fabricated or maintained as prescribed. Such programs help in reaching out to more number of people with disabilities and also strengthening the human resource in rehabilitation!

MI this year extended its support to District Disability Rehabilitation Centre DDRC Chitradurga in setting-up a Prosthetic and Orthotic workshop and providing necessary training and demonstrations to locally available skilled craftsman.



## REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTRE (RRC), KOLKATA



The Regional Resource Centre (RRC), Kolkata focuses on the work in the Eastern & North- eastern belt of India. The disability concern is widespread in this region and awareness among people is very little. Though, there are centers, organisations and the Government working for people with disability, the situation still needs special attention to improve, increase and provide rehabilitation services. In 2014-15, RRC built the capacities of 26 grassroot partners by promoting therapeutic interventions & providing assistive devices among their beneficiaries to enjoy their quality of life. It also focused on developing the capacities of rehabilitation professionals through workshops and orientation programs.

# Continuing Professional Development Program in Eastern & North-eastern India:

5 CBR workshops were conducted for 3 consecutive days for community facilitators on Disability-Development & Rehabilitation Therapy. 365 (M-201, W-164) members from 5 different states (West Bengal, North Bengal, Nagaland, Assam, Bihar and Jharkhand) participated and benefited.

Similarly to upgrade the knowledge of Therapists and Rehab professionals, 2 CRE workshops on “Trends on Rehabilitation Therapy and Inclusive Development” were organized at Chhattisgarh and Meghalaya covering 11 states (Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Orissa, Manipur, Nagaland, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura, West Bengal & Meghalaya) in which 89 (M-41, F-48) members participated.

Continuing Rehabilitation Education (CRE): at NEIGRIHMS, Shillong, Meghalaya



## Network Partners Review Meeting

Total of 10 participants belonging to different organizations from 6 conflict affected states were present to review the Mobility India intervention to Institutional Capacity development among the network partners on promotion of rehabilitation service delivery exercise.

## Setting up Therapy Units

MI Kolkata has been engaged in capacity building of grassroots organisations with the provision of assistive devices, therapeutic intervention and establishment of 2 therapy units. Therapy setups has been furnished for Nishakt Jan Kalyan Seva Samiti, Pamgarh and Voluntary Health Association of Tripura (VHAT), Agartala across 2 conflict affected eastern and north-eastern states of Chhattisgarh and Tripura. A total of 19 RTA trainees completed their training with focus on developing the capacity of rehabilitation professionals and joined the respective network partners to promote therapeutic intervention in their respective areas.



## Reaching to Manipur State



Manipur, one of the North Eastern States remains conflict affected over the decades. The geographical inaccessibility hinders reach of basic services such as health, education and livelihood for people, among them the more vulnerable are PWDs. There are very few hospitals which provide limited medical services whereas rehabilitation service is restricted only to the capital city (Imphal) in Manipur. To address the issue, RRC in collaboration with Stichting Liliane Fonds (SLF) a funding agency reached out to Manipur State.

As the first step MI team visited three organizations Franciscan Clarist Society of North East-Churachandpur, Handicapped Development Foundation (HDF)-Imphal and Manipur North Economic Development Association (MANEDA)-Senapati, district. It was the first hand experience for rehabilitation professionals to reach the vulnerable persons with disabilities. The assessment, measurement were done for 85 PWDs and fitted with 223 assistive devices and mobility aids. It was a great joy to see the users to be able to sit, stand, walk and move around with comfort.

## Community Outreach Program, Garden Reach, Kolkata

Community Outreach program was started in 2 ward of Garden Reach, Kolkata in 2004 and activities were extended to 9 wards. This year 118 children with disabilities were supported with therapeutic intervention, medical & surgical intervention, educational materials, mobility & development aids as well as assistive devices.

### Awareness

- Early identification of disability and management programs were conducted. 13 local medical practitioners benefitted.
- 32 awareness sessions on Disability were conducted for 19 schools, 940 students benefitted.

### Health

- Two health camps and an eye screening camp were organised, 136 people benefitted

### Social

- An art workshop was also conducted to commemorate the Children's Day celebrations'
- 'Badhte Kadam' was organized to encourage the CwDs to showcase their skills and abilities which witnessed participation of 25 CwDs and more than 320 community members.



- Two days summer camp was organised for children on clay art to make them feel productive and enthusiastic which ended with a fabulous card designed by the children to express their love and gratitude for MI.

## Encouragement, support and guidance motivates Shahin Parveen to dream like any other girl of her age

5 year old Shahin Parveen comes from a poor family. During one regular home visits, Shahin was identified with brittle bones that restricted her mobility. She was unable to walk and would drag herself to move around in the house. As such, her social life was limited to the four walls of the house. Like any other kid, she had dreams of making new friends and play with them. Unable to do so, Shahin started slipping into depression.

Her left leg was deformed and there was no possibility of any surgery to correct her deformity. However, after performing series of assessment by the rehabilitation team, they succeeded in suggesting Shahin with appropriate assistive devices. She was fitted with bilateral Ortho prosthesis, walker and Auxiliary crutches without the amputation. Besides, she was also given counselling, guidance and therapy intervention. The positive change helped her to gain confidence and improve her social life. The next phase was to encourage her to enrol in a school. To make things easy Makatab E. Primary school was made accessible. Finding new friends and interacting with them helped her to widen her horizon and she was seen participating in different extra-curricular activities.

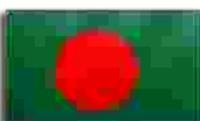
Today, Shahin is seen performing all the activities independently. She can climb 2-3 steps which was at one point only a dream. She studies in class 6 at Moulana Hasraat Mohani Memorial Girls High School, Garden Reach. Support and encouragement helped Shahin to improve her functional ability and continue her studies like any other kid.



# Networking and Collaboration



AFGHANISTAN



BANGLADESH



BHUTAN



INDIA



MALDIVES



NEPAL



PAKISTHAN



SRI LANKA

The current year witnessed a further expansion in MI's institutional networking and collaboration efforts through active participation in several seminars, conferences and professional events in India and overseas. MI collaborates with colleges, universities and external agencies and offers internship and learning opportunities on community and research projects dealing with subjects of topical interest.

## SAARC Conference

SAARC conference with the theme 'Towards an Inclusive and Enabling Future-Best Practices in Rehabilitation Therapy' was conducted at MI, Bangalore.

The conference aimed at building collaborative approaches, finding solutions to generate significant ideas, reflecting on improvement of rehabilitation therapy services and implementing latest trends and interventions. **Dr. Malathi Holla**, International Para Athlete and **Mr. Ram Khoday**, certified Prosthetist from Canada and **Mr. Charles Prabakar**, President, MI graced the event. Rehabilitation professionals from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and from 11 states of India participated for this cross-cultural learning opportunity.



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According to **Mr. Charles Prabakar** "having completed 20 years of service provision and 12 years of training activity, a conference like this provides a platform to keep abreast of advancements in technology and practices and a road map for an inclusive and enabling future".

## Seminar on Quality Management of Physical Rehabilitation Services in Lao PDR

**Mr. Soikat Ghosh Moulic**, Assistant Director-Rehabilitation Services, MI participated as a facilitator in the seminar conducted at the Centre of Medical Rehabilitation (CMR). The seminar was organised by COPE and sponsored by the USAID, ICRC Special Fund for the Disabled and COPE. The seminar aimed at formalising the national guidelines on quality standards in Lao PDR related to rehabilitation devices being provided across the country.

**Mr. Soikat** presented samples of quality control measures and forms used in Mobility India to ensure the quality of prosthetic and orthotic devices at different stages of the service provision- prescription to production and fitment to discharge. It was a platform for international and national professionals and stakeholders for strengthening their communication related to service provisions and policy making.



# ISPO conference on Orthotic and Therapeutic Management of Stroke Patients - Bangkok, Thailand

Mr. Sanjoy Singh, Program Manager, Rehab services and Mr. Praveen, Therapist participated to upgrade their professional knowledge and skills. The focus was importance of multi-disciplinary team for rehab professionals as well as stroke management of patients during acute, sub-acute and chronic stages and the recent advancements and comprehensive rehabilitations for stroke patients.

## Learning and Sharing tour to Jaipur by Women with Disabilities



A six members (PWDs) from Jaipur Foot Production Unit, MI visited Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti in Jaipur. BMVSS is the largest foot production facility providing artificial limbs, calipers, aids, appliances and is famous for its limb fitment camps conducted across the world.

The women technicians at the JFPU largely belonging from lower income groups, were trained for making Jaipur foot and subsequently provided with employment and self-reliance. This trip was an exposure for them to enhance their skill sets, as well as provide them the courage to meet the world with confidence. It was a maiden experience of travelling by train and an out station orientation programme for most of the team members. Though the team had accessibility challenges, they could overcome all the difficulties through team effort.



While at MI, the JFPU comprises solely of women technicians, the workshop at BMVSS is entirely run by men. Ms. Hameeda says “when we introduced ourselves, many of them burst out laughing, as they could not believe that being women, that too with disabilities, we worked as technicians in a role similar to theirs. However later we were happily oriented about their work.” The team met Mr. D. R. Mehta, Founder and Chief Patron and other key members.



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## RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD APRIL-2014 TO MARCH-2015

(Amount in ₹)

31-Mar-14	RECEIPTS	31-Mar-15	31-Mar-14	PAYMENTS	31-Mar-15
	<b>To Opening Balances</b>		25,860,173	<b>By Personnel Costs</b>	46,363,227
93,741	Cash on hand	210,912	8,965,420	" Administrative Costs	9,377,000
15,604,114	Cash at bank	17,616,754	13,932,608	" Rehabilitation Services	8,322,440
			10,718,407	" Capacity Building, Partnership and Seminar	13,970,225
	" <b>Grants</b>			" Design & Development of Orthotics & Prosthetics Components	13,553,840
21,856,636	- CBM	19,731,071	9,572,720	" Human Resource Development in Disability & Rehabilitation	7,660,740
2,168,292	- MIBLOU	1,470,000	8,339,615	" Community Based Rehabilitation Programmes	5,804,998
15,946,558	- World Learning/USAID	15,041,415	8,348,219	" Capital Expenditure	3,536,385
	- World Vision/USAID	3,125,867		" Advances & others	660,487
869,179	- Zurich Community Trust(UK)	1,824,391		" Fixed Deposits	9,709,867
1,226,192	- Abilis Foundation	2,383,301	8,486,331	" Closing Balances	
	- Terre Des Hommes-The Netherlands		779,131	- Cash on hand	120,365
2,601,690	- ICRC Special Fund for the Disabled	1,280,325	2,253,293	- Cash at bank	15,616,422
530,026	- International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics-Denmark	41,463			
2,966,783	- World Health Organisation	570,075	210,912		
500,000	- Jan Vikas Samiti	540,000	17,616,754		
274,658	- Jiv Daya Foundation	158,009			
15,598,775	" Donation	17,217,628			
11,769,120	" Education Programme	12,363,296			
1,700	" Membership Fees	1,500			
12,237,401	" Orthotics & Prosthetics	13,922,615			
5,089,300	" Bank/FD Interest	18,625,895			
5,749,418	" Advances & Others	8,571,477			
<b>115,083,582</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>134,695,994</b>	<b>115,083,582</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>134,695,994</b>

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20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

**UNBELIEVABLE ACTS Dancing on wheels**  
 A group of young girls from the 'Dancing on Wheels' group performed a beautiful dance on wheels. The girls were dressed in colorful costumes and their performance was truly mesmerizing. The girls are members of the 'Dancing on Wheels' group, which is a part of the 'Dancing on Wheels' project. The project is aimed at providing a platform for the differently abled to showcase their talents and abilities. The girls' performance was a testament to their hard work and dedication. The project is supported by the government and various NGOs. The girls are encouraged to continue their practice and participate in more such events. The project is a great example of how the differently abled can overcome their challenges and achieve their dreams. The girls' performance was a source of inspiration for everyone who watched it. The project is a wonderful initiative that has brought a lot of joy and pride to the girls. The project is a testament to the power of the human spirit and the ability to overcome adversity. The girls are a true inspiration and their performance was a beautiful sight to behold. The project is a great example of how the differently abled can shine and make a difference in the world. The girls are a source of pride and their performance was a beautiful reminder of the power of the human spirit. The project is a wonderful initiative that has brought a lot of joy and pride to the girls. The project is a testament to the power of the human spirit and the ability to overcome adversity. The girls are a true inspiration and their performance was a beautiful sight to behold. The project is a great example of how the differently abled can shine and make a difference in the world. The girls are a source of pride and their performance was a beautiful reminder of the power of the human spirit.



Dazzling Dance on Wheels by the Differently Abled

**ಮೊಬಿಲಿಟಿ ಇಂಡಿಯಾಗೆ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿ**  
 ಮೊಬಿಲಿಟಿ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ 20ನೇ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕೋತ್ಸವದ ಅಂಗವಾಗಿ ಗಾಲಿಕುರ್ಚಿಗಳ ಮೇಲಿನ ನೃತ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಇತರೆ ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಇದೇ ತಿಂಗಳ 13 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30ಕ್ಕೆ ಗುಡ್‌ವರ್ಡ್ ಅಡಿಬೋರಿಯಂ, ಪೂನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ರಸ್ತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಿದೆ. ಮೊಬಿಲಿಟಿ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕೋತ್ಸವ ಸಮಾರಂಭವನ್ನು ಆ. 2 ರಂದು ಜೆಪಿನಗರದಲ್ಲಿ ಆಚರಿಸಲಿದೆ. ವಾರ್ಷಿಕೋತ್ಸವದ ಅಂಗವಾಗಿ ಉಚಿತ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ತಪಾಸಣೆ, ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಜಯನಗರ, ಜೆಪಿ ನಗರ ಹಾಗೂ ಸುತ್ತಮುತ್ತಲಿನ ಬಡಾವಣೆಗಳ ಹಿಂದುಳಿದ ಹಾಗೂ ಬಡವರ್ಗದ ಜನರಿಗಾಗಿ ಇದೇ ತಿಂಗಳ 25 ಮತ್ತು 26 ರಂದು ಮೊಬಿಲಿಟಿ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ದಲ್ಲಿ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ತಿಳಿಸಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ 9535471791 ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

National Award



Health Check up Program at Chattishgarh



Accessible Toilet Program at Chamrajnagar



Visually challenged independently casting vote

“A real temple of humanity, manifesting globally unified consciousness for the welfare of needy human beings. Truly marvelous and exemplary.”

**Ms. Manjula Saxena**

Under Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India

“Excellent job being done for a noble cause. Painful to note that they are not getting due socio-economic support. Let us pledge to do something. Hats of to you.”

**Mr. Ajit Kumar**

Under Secretary, Ministry of Power, Government of India

“Mobility India is doing excellent work for the cause of disabled persons. They are helping them to lead their normal life.”

**Mr. G. S. Arora**

Under Secretary, Government of India

“Congratulations, you are doing a fantastic job. I would like to be a part of such an organization.”

**Harsha Sodha**

Visitor

“Fantastic work you guys. Keep it up!”

**Mr. Akshay & Ashwini Kulla**

Visitor

“Interestingly organized. Thanks”

**Ms. Smriti Joseph**

Visitor

Dear Albina,

Congratulate YOU & ALL the STAFF of MI whose dedicated work enabled MI to get the NATIONAL AWARD. but now I find that mail bounced back!, don't know the reason!! Anyway, once again congratulations to you and ALL at MI. Please convey my congratulations and greetings to All staff.

**Dr. (Mrs.) Elizabeth Thomas [Lizzie]**

Consultant - Education  
Member

Dear Albina

Congratulations Mobility India! Thanks for letting us know. I am glad to say that we, DDP can also join Mobility India as prize winners!

Well done, and best regards,

**Ms. Kamala Achu**

Disability Development Partners

Woaoohhh !!

Congatulations Albina !! We might be part of it because of our support and guidance, but YOU are the main key that has been continuing to bring Mobility India forward in the right direction, and you are really the best person that MI could have to continue the spirits of the begining !

After all theses years, it is time that the Government takes forward your ideas and recognise them, I reetere here my warm and grand congratulations !!

Sincerely yours

**Ms. Marika Millar**

Executive Director, MIBLOU

Dear Albina

Linda tells me Mobility India has been recognised for its work through a National Award.

How brilliant!, Well done from all

**Ms. Pam Webb**

Zurich Community Trust

**Congratulations** this is wonderful !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**Ms. Anna**

Corporate Citizen Team,  
Accenture

**Congratulations** and best wishes!

**Ms. Saswati**

General Body Member

**CONGRATULATIONS AND MY  
VERY BEST WISHES.**

**Mr. Gautam Choudhary**

Heartiest congratulations to Albina and her entire team. True performance recognised and that too with a public, national award. Keep it up - the poor and the disabled need you.

**Mr. Kishore Rao**

General Body Member

Great news!

Please convey my congratulations and best wishes to all at MI

Warm regards,

**Mr. Anil Prabhu**

General Body Member

Dearest Albina

Lovely to hear from you. All awards in the world would not suffice to rewards your hard work and that of MI!

**Ms. Silvana Mehra**

Regional Director,  
Central East Asia, CBM

Dear Albina,

Congratulations.

I am glad to know that Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment Department of Disability Affairs has selected Mobility India as an National awardee **OUTSTANDING WORK IN THE CREATION OF BARRIER FREE ENVIRONMENT FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.**

**Ms. Sugantham Egbert**

General Body Member

Congratulations! To you and all the people at M.I.

**Dr. Veda Zacharica**

Dear executive director

Thrilled to know the award's good news of our MOBILITY INDIA. .congratulate each and every each individual staff of mobility INDIA rt now you are not in front of me hug and jump with joy will write a separate appreciation letter to a President mi gb members and our hard working staff of entire branches all over . OK

Keep moving forward and towards progressive path.

Chalne ka ovr karne ka Kam bahuth SARE hai, Ham honge kamiyaab, Man me hai Vishwas poorna Vishwas Hum honge kaamiyaab.

**Mrs. A Sathyavathi Shamshuddeen**

Retd. Principal  
Member, Mobility India

**Congratulations Albina & MI**

*Keep it up*

**Dr. Gift Norman**

General Body Member

Dear Albina and all Staff members,

Happy to hear good news, really I am thrilled. This achievement is because of efforts of all our staff members. The hard work and dedication of all staff members under your guidance is there behind this great award ! Hearty congratulations to one and all.

**Ms. K. M. Geethamrutha**

Secretary, Margadarshi Vice President, Mobility India

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