## DR. AMBEDKAR COLLEGE, DEEKSHABHOOMI, NAGPUR 'Sanvedana' Inclusive Education Cell

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## HELP THE BLIND FOUNDATION, CHENNAI

Programe Name: Laptop distribution

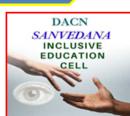
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"Sanvedana"- The Inclusive Education Cell of Dr. Ambedkar College, Deekshabhoomi, Nagpur organized laptop distribution program to the visually impaired students which was sponsored by Cognizant technologies, and training program run by HELP THE BLIND FOUNDATION, Chennai on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2023 at 12 Noon in the seminar hall.

College has a large number of students for various courses and to facilitate teaching learning process as well as to make them employable, the program was aimed to provide the students with essential tools for their educational journey. This program marked a step toward enhancing accessibility and empowerment in education.

The chief guest for the program was Brigadier K. Anand, the Commandant of GRC, Kamptee, Shri Natraj Shankaran, trustee HTBF Chennai Shri J. Radhakrishanan, volunteer HTBF. The program was presided by Dr. B.A Mehere, The Principal, Dr. Ambedkar College, Dekshabhoomi, Nagpur.

Brigadier K. Anand, Commandant of GRC, Kamptee, delivered an insightful address on the challenges faced by students with visual impairments. His speech highlighted the importance of understanding and addressing the unique obstacles that visually impaired students encounter in their educational journeys. He expressed his gratitude for being part of an event that aimed to make education more inclusive and accessible for all. He acknowledged the significance of the occasion and the collective efforts of the college and the Help the blind Foundation in supporting students with diverse needs.

Shri Nataraj Shankaran's, Trusty HTBF Chennai, address was an inspiring call to action. He highlighted the societal impact of inclusive education and raised awareness about the challenges faced by children born prematurely with visual impairments. His words reinforced the importance of providing an inclusive and supportive education system for the blind.

Shri Shankran's address left a lasting impression on the audience, motivating them to contribute to a more inclusive and equitable society where every individual, regardless of their abilities, has the opportunity to thrive.

The introductory remarks were given by Shri. J. Radhakrishnan, volunteer, Help the blind foundation Chennai. He provided valuable insights into the Help the blind foundation, giving the audience a deeper understanding of the organization's mission and commitment to inclusive education.

Dr. Mrs. B.A. Mehere began her address by expressing her heartfelt gratitude to all the distinguished guests, students, and attendees. She acknowledged the significance of the event and the critical role that inclusive education plays in shaping the future of students. In her speech, the President emphasized the college's deep-rooted commitment to inclusivity. She reiterated that every student, regardless of their background, physical abilities, or circumstances, deserves equal access to quality education. Dr. Mehere highlighted the college's ongoing efforts to create an inclusive and supportive environment, where diversity is not just embraced but celebrated.

After that, 34 laptops were distributed to the blind students at the hands of chief guest and Principal. Feedback was given by one of the blind students Bhoomika Waware. Ms. Rohini Meshram Co-ordinator of the cell, shed light on the Sanvedana Inclusive Education Cell and its establishment. She described its mission, objectives, and the dedicated team of individuals who work tirelessly to make it a success. On this occasion Dr. Arun Joseph, Dr. Shailesh Bahadure, Dr Anita Tirpude, Ms Swati Chimurkar, Ms. Swati Deokar, Manoj Andraskar, trainer Dheeraj Kumar were also present. The program was conducted by blind student Prashant Majhi and Ritesh Prasad and vote of thanks was proposed by student Ms. Sonam Thakre . Efforts were taken by the students volunteer for the success of the programme.







