

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24



## Pingalakhi Public Welfare Organisation (PPWO)

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**President's Message's**



*I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude for the continued support and I am happy to state that 2023-24 was another successful year for the organization with maintaining its record of accomplishment of delivering according to plan and it is my great honor to share with you the Annual Report 2023-24. This report comes to you with pride, as it is a collection of our most significant accomplishments and our most special stories from the past year.*

*PPWO continued to devote its effort towards enhancing social justice and empowering disadvantage group of the society. Our programs like Professional courses, Vocational Training, Webinar and Awareness programs continued as in the previous year. The year 2023-24 was eventful one for PPWO.*

*Thank you all for your continued support on our journey.*

*We would be delighted to hear your ideas and suggestions for making our work more effective.*

**Mr. Gagan Bihari Das**

**PINGALAKHI Public Welfare Organization (PPWO)** was established in the year 1991 as a philanthropic social organization and registered under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 to take up social works in the field of Health Education, Value & Culture training research and socio economic development of the deprived and the disprivileged masses including those living in remote and far-flung areas.

### **Legal Status**

- ✓ Registered under Societies Registration Act 1860
- ✓ Right of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016
- ✓ Foreign Contribution Regulation Act 1976 and subsequent renewal in 2010
- ✓ National Trust Act 1999
- ✓ NITI Ayog in 2018
- ✓ ITA. 12A

### **Vision and Mission**

The vision and Mission of **PINGALAKHI PUBLIC WELFARE ORGANISATION** guide us towards our goal of overcoming poverty and ensuring a life of dignity and security for the marginalized population. More focus is on women, girls and Persons with Disabilities for enabling them through education and training, to realize their rights, avail resources and opportunities, fight for social injustice, develop leadership capabilities and to build a better future.

### **Aims and Objectives**

To accelerate the actions in the field of health, education, socio-economic culture, research and training through participatory approach for improving quality of life for these deprived sections in Society, Pingalakhi Public Welfare Organization sincerely hopes that, it can act effectively carry out with its young, energetic and enthusiastic inmates/ Volunteers for achievement of organizational objectives.

**ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN DURING THE YEAR 2023-24****Pingalakhi College of Special Education (PCSE).**

To develop Human Resources in the field of special education and prepare Special Education teachers/Educators to impart education and training effectively to Children's with Disabilities as well as all other Children's for various settings (including Inclusive, Special, Open School & Home Based Education), the **PPWO** has been managing Pingalakhi College of Special Education (**PCSE**) Teachers training Centre Since 2011.

The **PCSE** offers B.Ed. Special Education (Hearing & Visual Impairment) Courses with intake of 30 seats in each course. Apart from Degree level Courses **PCSE** also imparts D.Ed. Special Education (Hearing/ Visual Impairment) courses, Refresher/Orientation and Continuing Rehabilitation education Courses for field functionaries, service providers, policymakers, Teachers & Parents of Children's with Disabilities.

**PCSE** is approved by the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), Dept. of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, New Delhi, Recognised by the Dept. of Social Security & Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar & Affiliated to the Utkal University, Vanivihar, Bhubaneswar.

**Ratnakar Dash Higher Secondary School for the Persons with Visual Disabilities**

Realising the structural and attitudinal barriers facing by Students with visual Disabilities when entering in to Higher Education & **PPWO's** commitment towards its vision and mission, the **PPWO** established a Higher Secondary School namely, The Ratnakar Das Higher Secondary School for the Persons with Disabilities (**RDHSSPwVDs**) in the year 2018 at Budhei, Nahantara, Nimapara, Puri. Since then this School has become a new hope and aspiration among the Visually Impaired students across the state, especially belonging to tribal Districts of Odisha. This Institution is a self-financing one where food, accommodation and other educational entitlement are borne by the **PPWO**. The Government of Odisha, Department of School and Mass Education & Dept. of SSEPD, Govt. of Odisha has given necessary permission in favor of this Institution in Arts Stream. It is the only Higher Secondary School in Odisha providing Higher education to Persons with Visual Disabilities. The School is currently functioning at the Integrated Infrastructure Complex, Bangar, Gop, Puri.



### Special School for Children with Cerebral Palsy



Realizing the need of Education of children with Cerebral palsy in the area, the Organization opened a special School to cater to the education of such deprived children in the name of **Astabraka Special School for children with Cerebral palsy** at Nimapara in June – 2019. Trained teachers are appointed in the School for imparting quality Education of the children with CP. The Department of Social Security and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Govt. of Odisha has given permission to run the said school this year.

### A center for Children with Autism

The Autism Centre is taking care of 30 Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder on residential mode. The Department of Social Security and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Govt. of Odisha is giving financial support for smooth functioning of this center. The parents, family members are quite happy about improvement of their children.



### Ekalavya Shiksha Kendra (Inclusive School)



The Ekalavya Shiksha Kendra (Inclusive School) was established in the year 2017 by the Organisation with the motto to build bright future of the children in the area. Till date, children are admitted including **19** Children with Disabilities. The students and parents are quite happy about quality Education and performance.

### Therapeutic and Rehabilitative center for Children with Intellectual Disabilities.

The center was established in the year 2018 with support of the Department of Social Security and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Govt. of Odisha at Nimapara by the Organisation with intake capacity of 30 Children/ persons with Intellectual Disabilities. This center is taking care of therapeutic interventions, early treatment, Education as well as Vocation of Children/ person with Mental Retardation, Autism Spectrum Disorder along with Home based Intervention/ Rehabilitation by the Therapeutic professionals and support of parents.



### Niladri Nilaya Rehabilitation Centre for the Beggars with Physical Disabled & Intellectual Disabled.



The Organisation has taken bold steps in running two Rehabilitation Centers for the Physical Disabled and the Intellectual Disabled beggars those are begging in different places at Puri. **Thanks to District Administration, Puri for considering our proposal and sanctioning necessary financial support.** The above two Rehabilitation Centers are functioning at Nimapara for 100 inmates on residential mode. The foods, accommodation, health check-up,

Yoga, Meditation, different vocations, socialization, recreational activities etc given to the inmates. The District Administration has given necessary training to the staffs those are engaged in the Rehabilitation Centers. True, the inmates are happy and have promised not to beg again as it is the social stigma.

### **Halfway Home for the Persons with Mentally Ill.**

The Kalinga Home for Mental Ill was inaugurated on 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 by the. Sj. Samir Ranjan Dash, Hon'ble Minister School & Mass Education, Govt. of Odisha with Sj. Gagan Bihai Das, Sj. Padmalochan Mohanty, Dr. Prabhakar Tripathy, Educationist etc. The Department of Social Security and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Govt. of Odisha, support the Home. There is provision for accommodate both Male and female persons with mentally Ill with providing therapeutically intervention as well care and vocational activities for their cure or behavioral modification. The center is currently functioning at the Integrated Infrastructure Complex, Bangar, Gop, Puri.



### **Physiotherapy Clinic for Senior Citizens.**



To provide recognition and opportunity to senior citizens to contribute and thereby feel useful to the society and to improve the quality of life of the Senior Citizens by providing health care through Physiotherapy services, the **PPWO** is managing Physiotherapy clinic for Senior Citizens at Nimapara of Puri District since 18.11.2022 under State Action Plan for Senior Citizens (SAPSRc) supported by Dept. of SSEPD, Govt. of Odisha. Well-equipped machineries and trained professionals are engaged by **PPWO** to run the clinic. Through this project, the **PPWO** is committed to protecting, caring and wellbeing of Senior citizens and elderly persons can live a life of dignity.

### **Printing Unit namely SANTHA KABI BHIMA BHOI GRAPHICS.**

The organisation has established a Printing unit namely Santha Kabi Bhima Bhoi Graphics, for publication, Advertisement, Poster, Banner, leaflet for awareness and Braille Printing for Persons and students with Visual Disabilities. This Institution has given job opportunities for Persons with Disabilities for mainstreaming and livelihood.



### **Library**



providing various literature, story books, journals.

Public Library "Rajalaxmi Pathagara" is well functioning to meet day to day educational study materials for the students reading in College of Special Education, higher Secondary School for the Persons with Visual Disabilities. The said Library has Reading book, journals, and references. The National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities has extended kind support for extension of the LIBRARY. Raja Ram Mohan Ray Foundation also supporting in



**State Nodal Agency Centre, Odisha, the National T**

Pingalakhi Public Welfare Organisation, Nimapara has been appointed as State Nodal Agency Center (SNAC), Odisha, from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 by The National Trust, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India for a period of one Year to work for the welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities in the State of Odisha by coordinating the Registered organizations of the State.

**Observation of International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking-26.06.2023****Pledge taking Meeting.**

The Pingalakhi Public Welfare Organisation, Nimapara has observed the "International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking" under Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan with support of Dept. of SSEPD, Govt. of Odisha, vide letter no. 1292/SS, dated-22.06.2023 and Cooperation of Dept. of Excise, Puri on dt. 26.06.2023 at Nimapara.

The programme was started at 10.00 am with a Pledge taking meeting with participation of 350 participants including School and college students of Nimapara Boys High School, Nimapara Autonomous College, Maa Mangala Residential Hr. Secondary School, Pingalakhi College of Special Education, Anganawadi Workers, Local Public, Invited Govt. officials of Block and District Administration, elected members of NAC and Panchayat, Social Workers & Volunteers with a promise to stay away from drug and build a nation free of drugs.

The Pledge taking meeting was presided over by S. Gagan Bihari Das, President, PPWO, Nimapara. On this occasion, all the present participants and Guests recited the National anthem. S. Padmalochan Mohanty, Vice-President extended the Vote of thanks to all the Invited Guests, dignitaries, Participants, Public and Media Personnel's.

After taking pledge, the flower bouquets & Uttaria were presented to the invited Guests & printed caps with the slogan of "Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan-2023" provided to the participants. The invited Guests and dignitaries flagged off the awareness rally from Nimapara Boys High School via Nimapara Bazar, old Bus stand, canal road and returned to the Boys High School provided by placards, leaflets & banners and different slogans through the audio system on Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan. During the rally Glucose, water bottles were distributed to the participants.

After completion of the rally successfully, Tiffin packets & water bottles were distributed to all the participants.



### Plantation programme in association with SAMBAD-SAHITYA - GHARA

In association with SAHITYA GHARA, Nimapara Pingalakhi Public Welfare Organisation organised a plantation programme on dated 13.07.2023 at Behera Sahi Road and PPWO campus. Mr. Gagan Bihari Das lead this program with, Representative, Sambad, S. Padmalochan Mohanty, Vice President, PPWO and planted 200 more plants for a noble cause to protect our environment from global warming.



### International Older Persons Day

This day is celebrated annually to recognize the contributions of older persons and to examine issues that affect their lives. This day provides an opportunity to acknowledge the contribution, wisdom, dignity and needs of our senior citizens and to rededicate our efforts to ensure their well-being.

On 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 2023 Pingalakhi Public Welfare Organization has celebrated International Older Persons Day at town Hall, Nimapara. On this occasion Addl. Tahasildar, Nimapara, Chairman, Nimapara Panchayat Samiti, CEO, NAC, Nimapara, Chairman, Senior Citizen Association, Nimapara, Adovata, Mrutunjaya Dash, Pharmacist, I.T. Patra, A.BEO, Soudamini Dash were present and more than 50 senior Citizens were also Present.

### Bhima Bhoi Bhinnakshyama Samarthya Abhiyan (BBSA)-12.04.2022

BHIMA BHOI BHINNAKSHYAMA SAMARTHYA ABHIYAN (BBSA) envisages for the organization of "Samarthya Sibirs" which is a single window approach for providing multi-sectoral services to PWDs, on a campaign mode within a given time frame throughout the State.



Like Every year, the PPWO was actively associated with District and Block administration through its enthusiastic staffs and volunteers in organising the said camp in Nimapara Panchayat Samiti, Nimapara on 20.11.2023.

Sj. Samir Ranjan Dash, former Minister of School and Mass Education and MLA, Nimapara, sj. Pradipata Khato, Member of Jilla Parishad and other Dignitaries were present on the occasion. Total 274 PwDs of different categories identified in this programme for their UDID certificate.

### Geriatric Care Giver Training for Senior Citizens.

The PPWO conducted Geriatric Care Giver Training to provide training for creation of pool of trained Geriatric Caregivers or to provide bedside assistance to needy elderly with Support of Dept. of SSEPD, Govt. of Odisha. Training to Geriatric Caregivers and Health Care and Capacity building programme with intake of 50 participants and 24 programmes. Creation of a pool of trained personnel who can run the senior citizen homes as per minimum standards and training to the staff of the





Projects of Senior Citizen Homes. Training and capacity building and creation of skilled human resource on geriatric care and Bedside assistance.

### **7<sup>th</sup> Prativa Anwesana- 2023**

To prepare kids for the future real-life situation, to increase the confidence level of the students, to learn new skills and above all to showcase the hidden talent of the students the PPWO has been organising District level “PRATIVA-ANWESANA” the talent search programme at Nimapara.

This year on Children’s Day, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023, PPWO organized different events among the children of Nimapara Block. The competition was organized on Drawing, Song, Dance, and Debate. Etc. to search for the inherent talent of children and the winners were awarded by organising the function.



### **Observation of International Day of Persons with Disabilities-2023**

On 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2023 PPWO observed the International Day of the Persons with Disabilities in the Nimapara Block. The students of Pingalakhi College of Special Education organized a public awareness rally from the Nimapara Block to New Bus Stand.

A Meeting was also conducted by the PPWO chaired by S.J. Gagan Bihari Das, President, PPWO with invited Guests and dignitaries.



### **AWARENESS WEBINAR PROGRAMME FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED LEARNERS**

An online awareness programme for Visually Impaired Learners was organised by the PPWO in Collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Open University, Bhubaneswar on dated.09.10.2023.

The programme started with the inaugural session addressed & presided over by Shri.Gagan Bihari Das, President, PPWO. Shri. Das welcomed all the participants, dignitaries & IGNOU officials to the programme. Shri Das addressed and highlighted the objectives of the program and need for visually impaired learners in the current Information and technology based education system and importance of attending the program.

Dr. S.K Tripathy, Regional Director, IGNOU regional centre, Bhubaneswar spoke about the establishment, Mission and Vision of IGNOU. Dr. Bimal Chandra Nanda, Deputy Director, IGNOU regional Centre, Bhubaneswar discussed about the available courses and curriculum of IGNOU.

Dr.Santosh Kumar Panigrahi, Deputy Director, IGNOU RC, BBSR addressed the participants about the educational benefit available at IGNOU for the visually impaired learners. Dr. P.K Jena, Asst. Director, IGNOU regional Centre oriented the participants about the websites of IGNOU and programmes to see at the website.

At last Shri Rejoan Kerim, Principal of Pingalakhi College of Special Education extended vote of thanks to all the dignitaries and participants on behalf of IGNOU and PPWO. Total 100 participants including Professionals, staffs, College Students and Special Educators were joined online in the webinar.

## **Obligation**

Organisation is deeply obliged to the various Government Departments, Corporate, Development Agencies, Philanthropic Institutions and Individuals for their generous support and contribution in promoting Education, Self-employment Training and Empowering the Persons with Disabilities for inclusion and participation in the community life.

1. The Department of Social Security and Empowerment of the Persons with Disabilities, Government of Odisha for giving Grant-in-aid for implementation of number of Projects for Treatment, Rehabilitation and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities.
2. The District Administration, Puri extending necessary support, cooperation and guidance to carry out the programmes
3. The Block Administration, Nimapara extending necessary support, cooperation and guidance to carry out the programmes
4. National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD), ECR, Muttukadu, Kovalam Post, Chennai, Tamilnadu (Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India, New Delhi) extending necessary support, cooperation and guidance to carry out the programmes
5. The National Trust for the welfare of Cerebral Palsy, Autism, Mental Retardation & Multiple Disabilities. (Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India, New Delhi).
6. Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), Statutory Body of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India, New Delhi.
7. Utkal University, Vanivihar, Bhubaneswar.
8. Directorate of Higher Secondary Education, Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
9. Sambad-Ama Odisha, Bhubaneswar
10. Marwadi Yuva Manch, Bhubaneswar

**THANK YOU**

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