



# All India Federation of the Deaf



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# Keys Abbreviations

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AIFD : All India Federation of the Deaf.

MPTCD : Multipurpose Training Centre for the Deaf.

AIFD HfD : AIFD Hostel for Deaf.

NGO : Non Governmental Organization.

WFD : World Federation of the Deaf.

WFD RSA : WFD Regional Secretariat of Asia.

WASLI : World Association of Sign Language Interpreter.

PWD : Person with Disabilities.

RPWD : Right Person with Disabilities.

CSR : Corporate Social Responsibilities.

ECM : Executive Committee Meeting.

ISLIA : Indian Sign Language Interpreter Association.

ISLRTC : Indian Sign Language Research & Training Centre.

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I am very happy to place this first Annual Report 2022-2023 in your hand after a new Executive Committee (EC) came into being post election which was held on 28th May 2022.

The new forward-looking EC, led by energetic and young & middle-aged Deaf leaders in different roles, accepted the enormous challenges built up from numerous situations and crises internal and external to the Federation over the past 30 years; which also impacted the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the functioning of the Federation.

As we began researching existing documents, examining the history of the Federation which has been in welfare services of the Indian Deaf community past 67 years, we saw its glorious period between 1960 and 1990. We decided to revive its glory by correcting the missteps taken in the past, relaunching its flagship programmes one after one in a small way. And this annual report offers glimpses of such actions carried out in one year which you will definitely appreciate.

Our Federation seeks your capable support, both financially and in enhancing its performance, to empower the deaf community by fostering skill development through training imparted using Indian Sign Language (ISL) and enabling them to actively contribute to our society. This would be the focus of present EC to help the Federation regain the glory it once enjoyed three decades.

# Message from the PRESIDENT



**Mr. Sunil Vikas Sahasrabudhe**  
President, AIFD

# Message from the GENERAL SECRETARY



**Mr. Roshan Kumar**  
General Secretary, AIFD

I am honored to present the Annual Report as the General Secretary of our organization. Since the AIFD hasn't printed the Annual Report for the last 8 Years.

It is with great pride that I reflect on the accomplishments, challenges, and progress we have made together over the past year and I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all of you.

First and foremost, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for your unwavering commitment and dedication to our cause. Your passion and tireless efforts have been instrumental in driving our organization forward, and I am immensely grateful for the collective impact we have achieved.

None of our accomplishments would have been possible without the generous support of our donors, partners, and sponsors. I extend my heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of them for their trust in our organization and their continued investment in our shared vision.

I invite all members and stakeholders to delve into the pages of this Annual Report, which provides a comprehensive overview of our activities and accomplishments. May it serve as a source of inspiration and motivation as we forge ahead on our journey towards a brighter future.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated team, our loyal supporters, our partners, and all those who have contributed to our success. Your unwavering support fuels our passion and drives our purpose.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support, and I look forward to another successful year of collaboration and achievement.

I am pleased to present the Annual Report, summarizing the financial performance and accomplishments of All India Federation of the Deaf over the past year. As the Treasurer, it is my privilege to share with you the financial insights that underpin our endeavors and successes.

In terms of expenditures, we have carefully managed our costs, seeking opportunities to optimize spending while prioritizing investments that align with our strategic goals. This approach has allowed us to continue innovating, expanding our market presence, and enhancing the value we deliver to our stakeholders.

I would also like to express my gratitude to Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, RailTel Corporation Limited, deaf communities and members for trust in our financial stewardship.

In conclusion, I am confident that the financial achievements of this past year position us for a bright and prosperous future. As we move forward, our commitment to fiscal responsibility and transparent reporting remains unwavering.

Thank you for your unwavering support, trust and Partnership.

# Message from the TREASURER



**Mr. Tapan Kumar Sarma**  
Treasurer, AIFD

# About the Organisation

AIFD is an apex body of different affiliated organizations of the deaf spread all over India and serves the deaf community in elevating their living quality. Globally, it works with WFD, Helsinki, Finland and WFD RSA, Thailand. WFD is affiliated to UNESCO, UNICEF and ILO of United Nations Organization (UNO). The federation was set up on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 1955 with the aim to unite the Deaf all over India. The organization has been presented number of awards at National and State level.



To ensure human rights and full inclusion in civil society for all deaf persons.

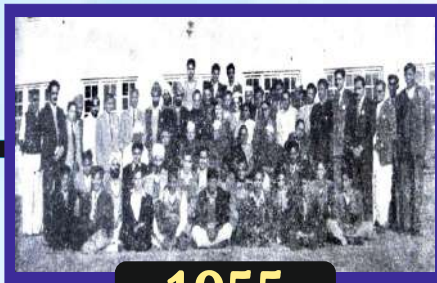
- Ensure adoption of ISL and other communication means to ensure access to education, health care, judiciary and justice, employment, recreation and all other aspects of civil society.
- Further develop a dynamic network of state associations and organisations of and for the deaf in accordance with the rules of AIFD as guided by WFD.
- Develop youth activities, including sports and cultural throughout the country.





**1955**

On 22<sup>nd</sup> December 1955, AIFD was founded.



**1955**

1<sup>st</sup> All India Conference of the Deaf organized in Bangalore on 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> December 1955.



**1957**

AIFD got its International Affiliation with WFD.

2<sup>nd</sup> All India Conference of the Deaf organized in Calcutta on November 1959.

**1959**



**1959**

With the blessing of 1st Prime Minister of India Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru Ji, AIFD started its Flag Week



**1967**

Mr. Madan M. Vashistha, student of Photography Institute of the Deaf went to Galladuet University, U.S.A. (World Top Deaf University) for higher Studies on a Scholarship which was been supported by AIFD fund.



**1965**

AIFD established its "Sports" wing "All India Sports Council of the Deaf" by 2<sup>nd</sup> Prime Minister of India Lal Badhadur Shastri Ji.

**1968**

AIFD got its Prime Land 1.5 Acre at Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi gifted by President of India.

**1968**

3<sup>rd</sup> All India Conference of the Deaf organized in Calcutta on November 1968.



The Foundation Stone of Multipurpose Training Centre for the Deaf a building of 10,000 Sq. ft. Vocational Training for Deaf was laid by the 4<sup>th</sup> President of India (Shri V.V. Giri Ji) with then President of AIFD Padma Bhusan Kum. Surrender Saini on 14<sup>th</sup> July 1970.



**1970**

4<sup>th</sup> All India Conference of the Deaf organized in Gauhati (Guwahati), Assam on May 1973.

**1973**

**1988**

6<sup>th</sup> All India Conference of the Deaf organized in New Delhi on Dec. 1988.

**1975**

5<sup>th</sup> All India Conference of the Deaf organized in New Delhi on Oct. 1975.

**1973**

Gallaudet College (USA) conferred the Honorary Degree of the Doctor of Laws to Mr. D. K. Nandy, Former General Secretary of AIFD at Convocation Meeting in America. Gallaudet College Alumini Association honoured him with his inclusion in the Association as a Life Member.

6<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Asia Pacific Meet of WFDRSA (World Federation of the Deaf Regional Secretariat of Asia) hosted by AIFD at New Delhi on 14<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1994.



**1994**

**1995**

Person with Disabilities Act 1995 was enacted in different spheres was done by AIFD for many decades.

**2011**

Deaf Youth Assembly was Celebrated at New Delhi in Sept. 2011.

**1998**

Republic Day Parade, AIFD representing in the March Past.



**2021**

Shri Tapan Kumar Sarma from Assam, India and he became the 1<sup>st</sup> Deaf President (interim) of AIFD and 6<sup>th</sup> President of AIFD.



**2022**

Foundation of AIFD Youth Section (AIFDYS) on 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 2022.

# International Affiliation Unit



WORLD FEDERATION OF THE DEAF



# State Affiliation Unit



# Our Hearing Team

**Dr. Ajay Kumar** is a Science Graduate, and an MBA, he is well versed Computer Engineer, worked on almost all Operating Systems and Network Systems in his school days based in New Delhi. India. He is also a Chairman and Managing Director of Fox Petroleum Limited representing in 12 countries.

**Dr. Ajay Kumar (PhD)**  
Chief Patron, AIFD



**P. K. Saighal**  
Patron, AIFD

**Major General Pramod Saighal (Retired)**, he retired as an Head of Army Air Defence College wherein he trained officers in Nano-Technology, Information Technology, Electronic Warfare, Radars and Computers in 2002. After his retirement, he has been working on a mission whose primary aim is to add solidity to the lives of children. Till date, he has counselled approximately 8.3 Lakh children of school, college and Universities on the finest career opportunities.

**Gursharan Singh** was born in Amritsar, Punjab, India. He is a former Athletic He is also a General Secretary of Paralympic Committee of India.

**Gursharan Singh**  
Patron, AIFD



**Prof. Vikram Dutt**  
Chairman, AIFD

**Prof. Vikram Dutt**, he is a former Civil Servant and a Disability Expert, Special Education Consultant, University Teacher and a Sportsman with Qualified Sports Coach. He is also a Former Vice Chairperson of the Forum of Public Schools. He is the author of over 250 publications and has more than 50 documentary films, Many of these have been screened at prestigious International Film Festivals. He has been felicitated by the Chairperson of the British House of Lords Committee on Disability. He has also won several awards in India for his work with the disadvantaged, including the 'Gaurav Samman' Award and an Award for promoting international peace and understanding from Italy. Currently, he also serves as a Core Committee Member of Experts on Rehabilitation established under the Govt. of India.

**Gourav Verma** is a Internationally travelled Professional Indian Sign Language and Indian Sign Interpreter and Special Educator in Deaf Education at Indore Deaf Bilingual Academy (MBS), Indore, M.P. He completed B.Ed(HI), Masters in Education and Translation Studies

**Gourav Verma**  
Vice Chairman, AIFD



**Arun Kajla**  
Advisor, AIFD

**Arun Kajla** is a Advisor of AIFD, retired Government officer and supporting to the AIFD in any needs.

# Our Deaf Team



**Sunil V. Sahasrabudhe**  
President, AIFD

**Sunil Vikas Sahasrabudhe** is from Maharashtra, India, he is a first bilingual Deaf who earned M.Ed. (HI) in special education in India; and also holds another Masters' degree (by research) from University of Central Lancashire (UCLan), United Kingdom.

**Edatukaran Korath Jose** was born in village of Mala, District of Thrissur, Kerala, India. completed his graduation in B.A. Sociology from IGNOU. He was a banker of Union Bank of India (retired in 2014). Now he is engaged in various social Activities i.e., welfare and sports for the Deaf.



**E. K. Jose**  
Vice President, AIFD



**Rajesh Kumar Naik**  
Vice President, AIFD

**Rajesh Kumar Naik**, is from Odisha, India. Vice President of AIFD and holding an post in Odisha Association of the Deaf and Odisha Sports Council of the Deaf.

**Roshan Kumar** is from Bihar, India. He is a Graduate from Patna. Born in deaf Parents and he always Support to the deaf communities.

**Roshan Kumar**  
General Secretary, AIFD



**Tapan Kumar Sarma**  
Treasurer, AIFD

**Tapan Kumar Sarma** is from Assam, India, he is a Railway Employee in Northeast Frontier Railway in Guwahati, Assam. He is also a General Secretary of Assam Association of the Deaf. He is also a Founder of North East College for Hearing Impaired College and North Degree College.

# Executive Committee Members

Suvrotyoti Sur

West Bengal



Ashraf Kunnath

Kerala

Ramjee Panda

Odisha

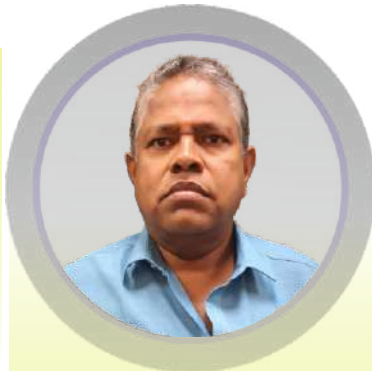


Pushp Raj

Jharkhand

Gurudutt Sharma

Haryana



G. Jaishankar

Tamil Nadu

Anupam Gohain

Assam



Prawin Prasuna

Bihar

Ashok K. Airen

Madhya Pradesh



Manish Pawar

Uttar Pradesh

# 67 years' of AIFD

AIFD is marking its 67<sup>th</sup> years in India this year. In 1955, AIFD was founded with the Support of World Federation of the Deaf and First Generla Secretary Late Shri Bans Gopal Nigam.

The Federation has not prepared an annual report for the last 8 years. The Federation supported for the welfare of the communities in India for their needs.

The Federation has not prepared an annual report for the last 8 years. The federation receives no government funding or grants and has received no financial support in the last two decades. We are completely dependent on raising funds through donors, friends and well-wishers.

# 1. ELECTION

Due to the unfortunate Demise of then General Secretary (Late Shri V. Gopalakrishnan) and then Treasurer (Late Shri Harish Kumar Chug) on 25th April 2022 and 24th October 2021, respectively. The Election of Executive Committee of the Federation for the period of 2022-2026 was conducted on 28th May 2022 at the Indian Social Initiatives, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. 2 representatives delegates from each affiliated state organizations of the Federation participated in it. The election was conducted with the supervision of the Advocates of the Supreme Court of India Adv. Kaushik Choudhury and Adv. Lokendra Upadhyay. The Elected Committee are as Follows: Prof. Vikram Dutt as Chairman, Gourav Verma as Vice Chairman, Sunil Vikas Sahasrabudhe as President, E. K. Jose and Rajesh Kr. Naik as Vice President, Roshan Kumar as General Secretary, Tapan Kr. Sarma as Treasurer. & Suvrojyoti Sur, Ashraf Kunnath, Prawin Prasuna, Manish Pawar, Pushp Raj, Ashok K. Airen, Vaibhav Ghaisas, Anupam Gohain, Gurudutt Sharma, Ramjee Panda and G. Jaishankar were elected as Executive Committee Member of AIFD.



# 2. ECM

First Executive Committee Meeting of the newly elected Committee were conducted on 26th & 27th July 2022 at the Premises of MPTCD, New Delhi, With the newly appointed Chief Patron Dr. Ajay Kumar, Patrons Gursharan Singh and Major General PK Saighal & Advisors Arun Kajla and Sachin Vats.

# 52<sup>TH</sup> GOLDEN JUBILEE

The wing of our Federation **Multipurpose Training Centre for the Deaf** was established on 14<sup>th</sup> July 1970. Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic in 2020 and 2021, MPTCD hadn't celebrated its Golden Jubilee Celebration. The Celebration of MPTCD 52 Years of Golden Jubilee has been celebrated on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022 with the Chief Patron Dr. Ajay Kumar, Patrons Gursharan Singh and Major General PK Saighal & All the teams of AIFD and MPTCD with the ex Students of MPTCD.





## 4. INDEPENDENCE DAY

The 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day celebration celebrated at MPTCD, New Delhi. The Chairman of AIFD hoisted the Independence Day flag on 15th August 2022.



## 6. AWARENESS

Our President gives his lecture to the DTISL & DISLI students of Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) for the “SIGN BILINGUALISM” at MPTCD Premises on 12th November 2022 .



## 5. FIELD VISIT

The DTISL & DISLI students of Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) visited AIFD at MPTCD Premises on 09th and 10th November 2022 .





## INTERNATIONAL WEEK OF DEAF PEOPLE 2022

Our International affiliation World Federation of the Deaf celebrate the International Week of the Deaf People every year to celebrate the awareness program for the Deaf Communities in the Fourth Week of September month every years. Our General Secretary attend at the awareness program at Malappuram, Kozhikode and Wayanad, Kerala, India on 24th to 26th September 2022.



## 9. LECTURE

An Great Speech delivered by President & General Secretary on 27th November 2022 at the Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh organised by Deaf Welfare Society, Gorakhpur, U.P.



## 10. ECM

An Executive Committee Meeting of the Board Members were conducted on 21st December 2022 at the Premises of MPTCD, New Delhi.



## 11. 67<sup>TH</sup> FOUNDATION DAY

The 67th Foundation Day of AIFD being celebrated on 22nd December 2022 at MPTCD Premises with the guest Principal of Group Captain (Retd) S. C. Bahri, Director cum Manager of Balvantray Mehta Vidya Bhawan Anguridevi Shersingh Memorial Academy with the Team of AIFD & MPTCD.



## 12. WORKSHOP / SEMINAR

A Workshop and Seminar provided to all affiliated State Association on 24th December 2022. This training been conducted for development of every affiliated State Association.





# ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

All India Federation of the Deaf has not organized its Annual General Assembly (Annual General Meeting) since last 20 - 25 years. The committee of AIFD organised its Annual General Meeting on 23rd December 2022 at MPTCD Premises, New Delhi. 2 - 3 Delegates from the each affiliated states attend and Participate in it.





# NEW YEAR 2023

**For the Social Activities for the Deaf Communities in India, AIFD decided to celebrate and entertain the Deaf Communities on National Festival. On 31st December 2022 AIFD celebrated the New Year celebration with 80+ deaf members at MPTCD.**



## 14. DEAF CULTURAL SOCIETY

30th Foundation Day of Deaf Cultural Society being celebrated at MPTCD on 28th December 2022. President of AIFD were invited as Chief Guest.

## 15. PURPLE FEST

Our President, Sunil was been appointed as Ambassador of the Deaf Community in Purple Fest at Entertainment Society of Goa, Panjim from 06<sup>th</sup> to 08<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

### PURPLE AMBASSADOR



Deaf Individual

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SAHASRABUDHE



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## 16. DEAF EXPO

Our President, Shri Sunil attend the 7<sup>th</sup> Deaf Expo of Deaf Leadership Foundation at Chennai from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

# 17. FLAG WEEK

On the occasion of the Flag Week 2023 the Representative of AIFD Chairman Prof. Vikram Dutt, Vice President Mr. EK Jose, General Secretary Roshan Kumar and an Interpreter Hingish and Monika Singh met with the Lieutenant Governor of NCT of Delhi Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena, Chief of Indian Army Staff General Manoj Pande, Chief of Indian Defence Staff Lt. General Anil Chauhan, Speaker of Delhi Legislative Assembly Shri Ram Niwas Goel & Chief Justice of Delhi High Court Satish Chand Sharma on February 2023.



**CHIEF OF ARMY STAFF**



**CHIEF JUSTICE**



**CHIEF OF DEFENCE STAFF**



**LT. GOVERNOR OF DELHI**



**SPEAKER**



## 18. WASLI ONLINE MEET

AIFD provided the opportunity to participants Mr. Sapan Jain and Mr. Ankit Vishwakarma who received virtual training on "Team interpreting", a workshop conducted by World Association of Sign Language Interpreters (WASLI) on 3rd and 4th Sept 2022 and were awarded certificates of participation.



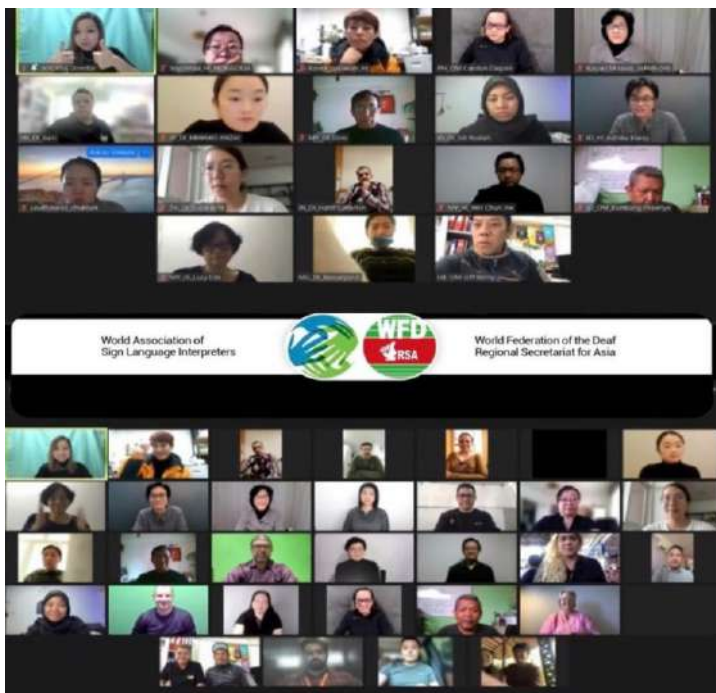
## 19. WFD RSA MEET

AIFD provided the opportunity to participants Mr. Gourav Verma (hearing), Ms. Kinjal Shah (hearing) and Mr. Yash Patrick (deaf) who attended the presentation on "A Quest into the Role of the Sign Language Interpreter", a program conducted by WFD RSA on 19th November 2022 and were awarded certificates of participation.



## 20. WASLIA - WFDRSA MEET

AIFD provided the opportunity to participants Mr. Roshan Kumar (AIFD), Mrs. Monica Punjabi Verma (Hearing Interpreter) and Mo. Shafique (Deaf Interpreter) who attended the presentation on "The Second Virtual Event of WFD RSA x WASLI Asia on 28th Jan 2023, WASLI Asia representatives had conducted the survey to gather interpreter situations in Asia and brought the result in the virtual event, and had panel discussion, group discussion on how to improve interpreters in Asian Regions. Guided by WASLI, WASLI Asia and WFD RSA, promoting more Asian Interpreters.

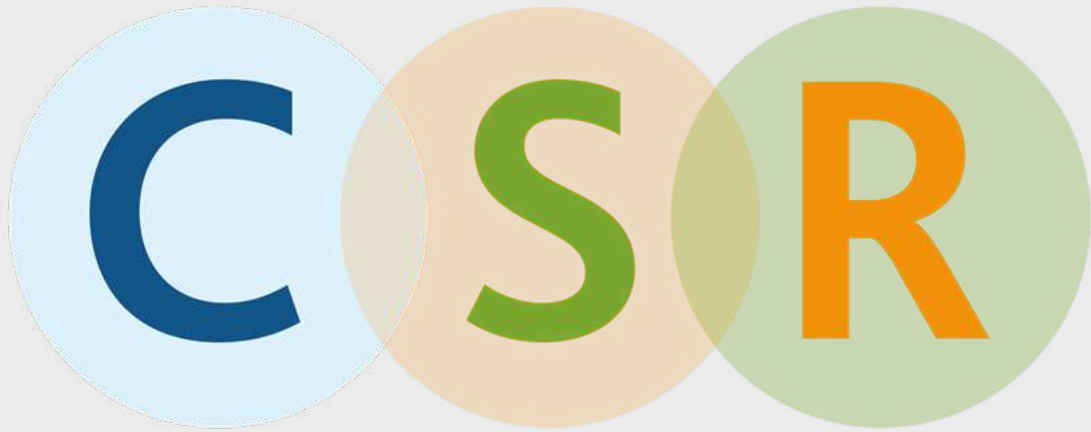




# HOLI 2023

**For the Social Activities for the Deaf Communities in India, AIFD decided to celebrate and entertain the Deaf Communities on National Festival. On 05th March 2023 AIFD celebrated the Holi Milan Sammelan celebration with 175+ deaf members at MPTCD.**





# CSR Report



**Bharat  
Petroleum**

*energising lives*



## Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited

A CSR Initiative of **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited** has supported for the Renovation of MPTCD Building. The building of MPTCD were constructed by the Indian Army in early 1970s.



रेलटेल  
RAILTEL

A Mini Ratna Enterprise



## RailTel Corporation of India Limited

A CSR Initiative of **RailTel Corporation of India Limited** has sanctioned to install 40 kW of Solar Plant to save the Electricity expenses of MPTCD and AIFD Hostel for the Deaf Campus.

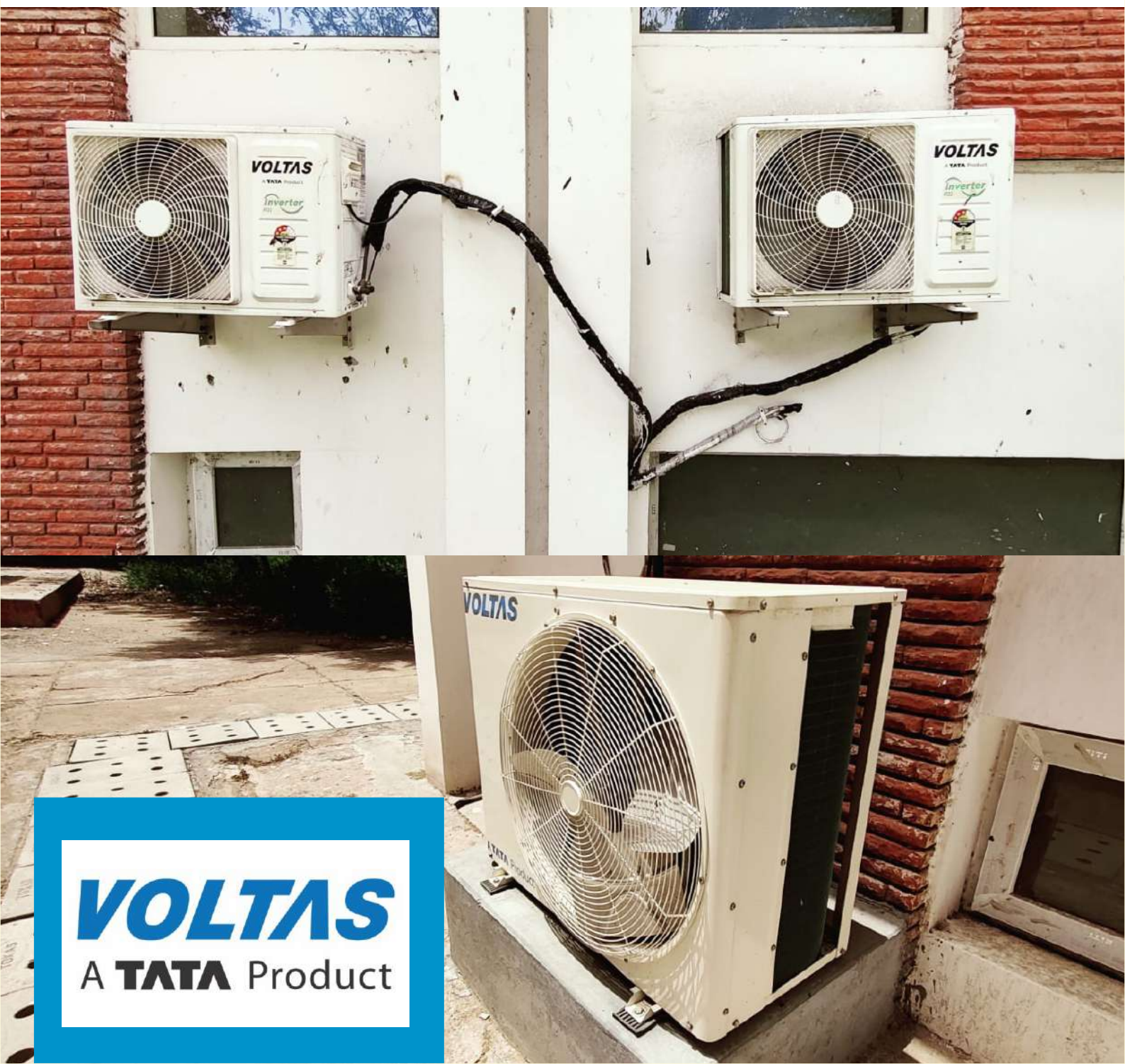


## State Bank of India General Insurance Company Limited

A CSR Initiative of **State Bank of India General Insurance Company Limited** has sanctioned to install 3 Hybrid Classroom with Student Chairs to the MPTCD.

# Voltas Limited

A CSR Initiative of **Voltas Limited** has sanctioned to install 6 Split Air Conditioner and 2 Cassatte Air Conditioner to the MPTCD.



**VOLTAS**  
A **TATA** Product

# Usha International Limited

**Usha International Limited** has provided 16 Electric Sewing machines to the MPTCD. The state - of - the - art automatic industrial Sewing Machines.



**USHA**<sup>®</sup>



## Flour Daniel India Private Limited

**Flour Daniel India Private Limited** has sanctioned to install V - Guard Solar Geyser to help the hosteller for the usage of hot water of to MPTCD and AIFD Hostel for the Deaf Campus.



# ICICI FOUNDATION

**ICICI Foundation** has sanctioned to build up the Vermicomposting Unit to recycle all its organic waste that is generated by over a hundred fully grown trees and the hostel at MPTCD.



# CSR Donors



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## All India Federation of the Deaf



### Multipurpose Training Centre for the Deaf

MPTCD located at 12-13, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi-110067, MPTCD is a Vocational Training Centre for the Deaf boys and girls. There are also open spaces for future expansion and playground. Deaf students aged between 14-30 years are offered training in different trades. Presently, it runs 4 main trades, e.g. Computer-Graphics, (PGR & PGA), Photography, Fitter & Turner and Cutting & Sewing.



### AIFD Hostel for the Deaf

AIFD HFD is located at MPTCD campus for both boys and girls with separate enclosure. Students from far-flung areas can use the facility for study purpose only.



### Deaf Cultural Society

Deaf Cultural Society is a Cultural Organisation for the Deaf Communities, founded on 28th December 1992. It is a “Cultural” wing of AIFD.



### AIFD Youth Section

All India Federation of the Deaf Youth Section is a Youth Organisation for the Deaf Communities in India. “AIFDYS” was founded on 22nd December 2022. It is a “Youth” wing of AIFD.



### **Registered Address**

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