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# Report on 14<sup>th</sup> National Voters Day: Awareness Rally on Voting Provisions for Persons with Disabilities

Date: 25th January, 2024

Venue: Army Institute of Education, Greater Noida

**Time**: 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Participants: 15 students from the B.Ed. and B.Ed. Special Education 2022-2024 batch, accompanied

by faculty members and Non-Teaching Staff.

The 14th National Voters Day Awareness Rally held at the Army Institute of Education on 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2024, served as a commendable initiative to promote awareness about voting provisions for Persons with Disabilities. The event aimed to emphasize the importance of inclusive participation in the democratic process, especially on this significant day dedicated to celebrating the essence of democratic rights.

Route and Destination: The rally commenced at 11:00 AM from the Army Institute of Education and followed a route leading to Yatharath Hospital. The selected path allowed for maximum visibility and interaction with the local community, strategically enhancing the outreach of the awareness campaign. Banners and placards with messages promoting inclusive voting were carried throughout the rally. Along the route, participants interacted with the local community to raise awareness about the importance of voting for persons with disabilities. The final destination, Yatharath Hospital, provided a symbolic space for the rally's conclusion and additional engagement.

## Aims and Objectives:

- The primary aim of the awareness rally was to raise consciousness about the importance of the
   14th National Voters Day and voting provisions for persons with disabilities.
- To inform and educate both participants and the local community about the significance of inclusive voting and the rights of Persons with Disabilities.
- To promote inclusivity in the democratic process by highlighting the accessibility and accommodation provisions available for Persons with Disabilities during voting.
- To dispel myths and misconceptions surrounding the voting process for persons with disabilities,
   emphasizing the importance of their active participation.



- Foster a sense of community engagement and responsibility among the participants and the local community regarding voting rights.
- Encourage active interaction between participants and community members to discuss votingrelated concerns, answer queries, and strengthen the bond between the educational institution and the local community.
- Show solidarity and support for Persons with Disabilities by actively participating in the awareness rally.
- Encourage faculty members, non-teaching staff, and students to join hands in advocating for the rights and inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in the electoral process.

### **Learning Outcomes:**

- Participants gained a deeper understanding of the 14th National Voters Day and the specific voting provisions designed for Persons with Disabilities.
- Participants learned about the various accessibility measures in place to facilitate the voting process for individuals with disabilities, including ramps, Braille voting machines, and accessible transportation.
- Through interaction with the local community, participants developed effective communication and community engagement skills, fostering a sense of responsibility towards promoting inclusive voting practices.
- The event facilitated teamwork and collaboration among students, faculty, and non-teaching staff, fostering a supportive environment for future initiatives aimed at societal betterment.
- Participants developed advocacy skills by actively promoting the rights of Persons with Disabilities, contributing to a more informed and empathetic community.

#### **Conclusion:**

In conclusion, the 14th National Voters Day Awareness Rally at the Army Institute of Education was successful in achieving its aims and objectives, with positive learning outcomes for the participants in terms of increased awareness, community engagement skills, and a commitment to advocating for inclusivity towards Persons with Disabilities in the democratic process.

#### PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE EVENT













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