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The world is bright and beautiful for Mampi Das

The world seems a different place now for Mampi Das, 18yrs of age, whose cornea transplant operation carried out on May 5, 2013, was successful. In the 'Opening Eyes-Healthy Athlete Program' held at Indira Gandhi Memorial Hospital Complex, Agartala on the 9th and 10th of April, 2013. Mampi, a Special Olympics Bharat- Agartala Athlete underwent a vision test. The eye specialist, on examining her eyes, expressed hope of recovering her vision through a Cornea Transplant.



Orphaned at an early age, she was diagnosed with multiple disabilities including intellectual disabilities with mixed deafness and cornea dystrophy in both her eyes. [Read More](#)

Special Olympics Asia Pacific Regional Games- 1st Preparatory Camp

The finalists for the Regional Games have intensified their practise to face yet another international challenge taking place in Australia amongst 30 nations of the Asia Pacific Region. A 5- day Preparatory Camp at Chennai saw an energetic participation of 500 Athletes and Coaches across Acquatics, Football, Badminton, Table Tennis, Bocce, Athletics, Basket Ball and Cricket.



After having being selected in a discipline of their choice and capabilities the finalists may be participating in a second preparatory camp to sharpen their skills further.

Rehabilitation Program for Persons with Disabilities- Jharkhand

An initiative of Jamsetji TATA Trust, implemented by SO-Bharat through Jharkhand State Chapter and Deepshikha, Institute for Child Health and Mental Health, in Ranchi and Namkum districts, this program is a step towards inclusion of persons with disabilities using the power of sports. Following its official launch on July 17 this 3-year pilot project commenced its first session of Special Olympics get into it and Community Coaches Training in Ranchi and Namkum respectively.



Bipasha talks to us through her Coach

'Special Olympics has completely changed me. Yes, I am different but I am also like you, in fact I could be even better than many of you in some areas..' That is the 14 yr old Bipasha, embarking on a journey of pride and hope, working her way through various competitions and events, both, National as well as International. Recognizing but yet, keeping aside her shortcomings and speaking her heart out with her Coach/Mentor Sulekha Rana. Sulekha mentored her through her practices and participation at the World Winter Games 2013 sharing some unforgettable moments in Korea. Read More as Bipasha speaks



Events

- Advance Coaches Training Program in Diu, Gujarat from 1-5 August
- Advance Coaches Training Program in Tripura from 4-8 August
- National Coaching camp in Rajasthan from 27-22 Aug
- National Coaching camp in Gujarat from 23-28 Aug

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