

## Series of Webinars to commemorate the Celebration of 141<sup>st</sup> Birth Anniversary of HELEN KELLER

On the occasion of the 141<sup>st</sup> Birth Anniversary of HELEN KELLER celebration was held for a fortnight, under the guidance and support of NIEPMD Director Shri. Nachiketa Rout. The celebration was started on 27.6. 2021. Convener of the webinar series was Shri. P Kamaraj, HOD Special Education, Core Committee Members were Mrs. B. Leelavathi Lecturer (Deafblind), Shri. Rajesh Ramachandran (Rehabilitation Officer), Shri. D. Stalin Arul Regan, (Special Teacher Deafblind), this programme was followed by story and poster painting competitions on the theme of Deafblind and Thriving; TLM and Logo/Ribbon competition were also planned on 20/07/2021.

**Model E-Schooling for Children with Multiple Disabilities** was inaugurated by Director NIEPMD, Shri. Nachiketa Rout on 1.7.2021, followed by series of webinars (6) flagged off by Deputy Registrar (Admin.) Shri. Sankara Narayanan, on 2.7.2021 and continued till 9.7.2021. In these webinars eminent speakers experienced in the field of Deafblindness, delivered lectures, parents shared their experiences in upbringing of their children with Deafblindness, achievers having Deafblindness shared their life experiences and challenges, and group discussions were also held. There were about 1000 participants for the webinars. The participants were Parents of Children with Special Needs, Rehabilitation Professionals, Special Educators, HRD trainees, and Persons with Deafblindness.

Topics for the webinars:

- Medical and Educational Perceptive of Deafblindness
- Challenges faced by families rearing Children with Deafblindness
- Teaching Methods and Teaching Learning Materials used for Education of Children with Deafblindness
- My Life and My Challenges (Adults with Deafblindness)
- An ideal Classroom for Deafblindness
- Sensory Games for Deafblindness and Learning Resilience from Helen Keller



