



Nurturing Silence, Creating Lives
(A social initiative of IIT Roorkee)

ANUSHRUTI
Academy for the Deaf

I.I.T. Roorkee, ROORKEE – 247667(U.K.)

Email Id: anushruti.iitroorkee@gmail.com

anushruti@iitr.ac.in

Phone: 01332 – 281838, 281095, 8273052016

Quarterly News letter for July – September 2025



HEALTH CHECKUP CAMP FOR SCHOOL STAFF

On July 28th 2025, a health checkup camp for the school staff was conducted on campus by Mrs. Naina Raj, a fitness coach from Herbalife. The initiative aimed to promote health awareness and ensure early detection of potential health issues among the staff members. During the camp, various health parameters such as blood pressure, sugar levels, and BMI were checked. Staff members also received guidance on maintaining

a healthy lifestyle, including tips on diet, exercise, and stress management. The event was well-received and appreciated by all participants for its informative and preventive approach.



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION 2025

On 15th August 2025, Anushruti Academy for the Deaf (AAD), Roorkee, joyfully celebrated the 79th Independence Day with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. The event was graced by the presence of the management committee members,



and the national flag was proudly hoisted by our esteemed President, Mrs. Hema Pant along with the Principal Mrs. Vibhuuti Saini. The celebration began with a profound sense of unity, pride, and gratitude for the countless sacrifices that secured our nation's freedom. Our students presented a mesmerizing patriotic performance at the main building ground of IIT Roorkee, spreading the message of love and respect for the nation. The programme concluded with the distribution of sweets to all students and staff, adding a touch of sweetness to the spirit of the day.

AAD HOSTS 11th UTTARAKHAND STATE DEAF CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP



On 17th August 2025, AAD proudly hosted the 11th Uttarakhand State Deaf Chess Championship, for the very first time a prestigious state-level event organized by the Uttarakhand Sports Society of the Deaf (USSD). The championship aimed to promote sportsmanship, strategic thinking, and inclusivity among students, offering a platform for participants to showcase their talent and passion for chess. Around 20 students from AAD took part enthusiastically, and all were awarded participation certificates in recognition of their effort, dedication, and sportsman spirit.

WORKSHOP ON “SURAKSHIT BACHCHE, SURAKSHIT BHAVISHYA, APDA JAGRUKTA” AT IIT ROORKEE

On 23rd August 2025, students of Classes 5th to 8th along with two teachers Mrs. Renu Sood and Mrs. Princy Sudan from AAD visited IIT Roorkee, where a workshop was organized by the Hindi Cell, IITR on the topic “Surakshit Bachche, Surakshit Bhavishya, Apda Jagrukta.” The session aimed to raise awareness about disaster preparedness and safety measures among children. Students actively participated in various interactive activities and learned valuable lessons on how to stay safe and help others during emergencies. The workshop included a live demonstration on the proper use of fire extinguishers and a quiz on natural disasters, which engaged the students and reinforced their understanding of safety practices.



PLANTATION AT AAD

On 3rd September 2025, the Inner Wheel Club Roorkee Sparkles, led by President Mrs. Nisha Surana, organized a tree-planting drive, which was joined by several AAD students and staff. The initiative aimed to inspire students while celebrating the special bond between teachers and students. Additionally, the club conducted an Essay Writing Competition for the students of Primary section.

Also, Hemoglobin and Sugar tests were performed by Dr. Madhulika Chowdhary for the senior section girls. AAD looks forward toward many more such opportunities to foster environmental awareness and sustainability.

TEACHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

On 4th September, on the occasion of Teachers' Day, students celebrated the day with immense enthusiasm and joy, showcasing vibrant dance performances and taking full responsibility for organizing the event with great dedication. They even prepared delicious food for their teachers as a gesture of love and respect. The senior students demonstrated excellent teamwork, ensuring the active participation of everyone and making the celebration truly memorable.



This celebration was held on 4th September instead of 5th September, as the school remained closed on the following day due to the Convocation Day of IIT Roorkee.

A delegation from Bharat Vikas Parishad also visited our school to felicitate our Principal, Mrs. Vibhuuti Saini, along with two students, Mr. Guddu and Ms. Manisha, on the same day. Mrs. Mamta Gupta, Mrs. Rama Gupta, and Mrs. Shyam Gupta from BVP were present on this special occasion.

VISIT BY PROF. GESINE MARQUARDT AND PROF. GAURAV RAHEJA TO AAD



On 10th September AAD had the privilege of hosting Prof. Gaurav Raheja from the Department of Architecture & Planning, IIT Roorkee, along with Prof. Gesine Marquardt from Germany and her daughter, Lotte. The guests interacted with students and appreciated the school's efforts in empowering children with hearing impairment. Deeply moved by the experience and the warm hospitality, Prof. Marquardt graciously donated Rs. 10,000 in support of the Academy's mission. We sincerely thank her for this generous contribution and encouragement towards our cause of inclusive education.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION WITH AAD STUDENTS

On 11th September 2025, Mr. Rahul Chaudhry and his family from the IITR Post Office celebrated their child's birthday with the students of AAD. They shared cake and food items with the children and also made a generous donation of Rs. 5,100/- to the school. Members of the IITR community often choose to celebrate the birthdays of their loved ones in this special way with AAD students.



HEARTFELT FAREWELL TO VICE PRESIDENT PROF. TASHI NAUTIYAL

On 12th September, AAD we warmly bid farewell to Prof. Tashi Nautiyal Ma'am on her retirement as Vice President of our school. Her insightful guidance in meetings, encouragement during challenging times, and inspiring vision for the future will be deeply missed by AAD family. Although she steps down from her official role, her legacy will continue through the voices she has empowered, the confidence she has instilled,

the countless dreams she has nurtured, and her unwavering spirit. She has made remarkable contributions to the growth of AAD and worked tirelessly to mobilize support and donations. AAD wishes her abundant health, happiness, and success in all her future endeavors.

15-DAY TAEKWONDO SELF-DEFENSE WORKSHOP INAUGURATED AT AAD

On 15th September 2025, the Inner Wheel Club inaugurated a 15-day self-defense workshop on Taekwondo at our school. The event commenced with ceremonial lamp lighting by the Honorable Mayor of Roorkee, Mrs. Anita Agarwal, accompanied by school teachers and students. Throughout the workshop, students were trained in practical Taekwondo techniques, empowering them with the skills and confidence to protect themselves in challenging situations. The Mayor on the closing ceremony also donated Rs. 11,000/- to AAD and for that the school will remain indebted to her for this generous support for the betterment of the school.



WORKSHOP ON SELF-PEACE AND SPIRITUAL CONNECTION BY BRAHAM KUMARI

On 15th September 2025 four members from Brahm Kumari Ashram organized a special workshop on the topic "Self-Peace: How to Connect Our Soul to God." The workshop aimed to help students and teachers understand the importance of inner peace and spiritual connection in their daily lives. During the session, the participants learned various techniques to calm their mind, focus on positive thoughts, and strengthen their bond with the divine. Both students and teachers actively participated in the activities, making the workshop an interactive and meaningful experience for everyone involved.



1970 BATCH ALUMNI VISIT AAD

On 17th September 2025, the 1970 batch alumni visited AAD, making the day truly special. The event, attended by the management committee, principal, teachers, students, and parents, began with a traditional welcome followed by a school tour. The alumni interacted warmly with the students and appreciated the various departments and creative stalls. A patriotic dance performance by the students received loud applause, and delicious muffins from the school bakery were enjoyed by all.

A highlight of the day was a live painting created by student Aditya, which was later auctioned and purchased by an alumna for Rs. 1,100/- creating a proud moment for the school. The alumni admired the students' confidence, creativity, and the teachers' dedication toward hearing-impaired learners. The visit concluded with tea and informal conversations, where alumni shared inspiring life experiences, leaving everyone with a sense of joy and pride.

SIGN LANGUAGE COURSE ORGANIZED BY DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE, IITR IN COLLABORATION WITH AAD

From 19th September to 8th November 2025, the Diversity and Inclusion Committee of IIT Roorkee, in collaboration with AAD, conducted a Sign Language Course. The inaugural session took place on 19th September at 5:30 PM at AAD, and was graced by Dean of Students Welfare (DoSW), IITR, as Chief Guest, and Sh. Vivek Handa, an alumni of this school and currently an officer at State Bank of India as Special Guest. The course is designed to promote inclusivity and strengthen communication skills by teaching Indian



Sign Language. This initiative reflects a shared commitment to fostering accessibility and awareness. The Indian Sign Language classes are being held for IITR campus participants every Friday and Saturday from 6:00 to 7:00 PM, conducted by trainers Mrs. Vibhuuti Saini, a trained Sign Language expert and Principal of AAD and Ms. Bhoomi Sharma from Haridwar, a trained Sign Language Diploma holder from Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre, New Delhi.

DEAF AWARENESS WEEK CELEBRATION (22nd – 28th September 2025)

AAD joyfully celebrated International Deaf Awareness Week from 22nd to 28th September 2025. The week was filled with a variety of fun and educational activities designed to raise awareness and encourage active participation among students.

Highlights of the Week:

- **Fun Games:** Students enjoyed engaging indoor and outdoor games.
- **Quiz Competition:** A quiz tested students' knowledge and awareness about deaf culture.
- **Documentary Screening:** Students watched an informative documentary showcasing achievements and aspects of deaf culture.

Online Session: Sustaina Green conducted an interactive session on the topic *"Pollinators" and distributed participation certificates.*



DUSSEHRA CELEBRATION



On 29th September 2025, our students crafted an effigy of Ravana, symbolizing the embodiment of evil. In a harmonious display of camaraderie, along with the dedicated faculty and spirited students, came together to ignite the effigy. As the flames danced and shadows flickered, it marked not just the end of Ravana but a profound victory of light over darkness, good over evil. In this radiant moment, we celebrated the eternal spirit of Dussehra – a triumph of virtues that resonate in our hearts.