

Public Relations Department, Chandigarh Administration
www.chandigarh.gov.in
Press Release

Chandigarh, December 17:- A team of 30 girls students of Class 9th and 10th of Carmel Convent School, Chandigarh led by Ms. Puneet Singh who came forward to educate 'Out of School' children of Alternative Innovative Education (AIE) Centre, Sector 52, Chandigarh would certainly become beacons for the programme.

Expressing these views after distributing sweaters to 305 students of this centre, the Punjab Governor and Administrator, Union Territory, Chandigarh, General (Retd.) Dr. S. F. Rodrigues, PVSM VSM and Mrs. Jean Rodrigues said that out of these children someone will become Dr. Abdul Kalam and some Mr. K.R. Narayanan, one day.

General Rodrigues stressed upon the need to educate the parents of these children and remind them their responsibilities towards them so that they could also help their transformation. He said that we have launched a campaign to educate each and every child of the weaker sections and for this 270 AIE Centres are functional with the help of 250 NGOs. Today, we are also providing good quality mid-day meal to about 80,000 children of government schools in Chandigarh.

Interacting with the team of Carmel Convent School, General Rodrigues asked them to identify the potential of these children and pay extra attention to groom them. He said you must be available to help them with their problems and guide them accordingly.

Mrs. Jean Rodrigues, in a question/answer session with the students of Carmel Convent School said that you should work committedly, dedicatedly and devotedly to make this dream true. Ms. Puneeta and her team assured the Administrator that they would work as per their expectations to make this campaign successful.

Prominent amongst others who were present on the occasion included Mr. M.P. Singh, Secretary to Governor, Punjab, Mr. Ram Niwas, Home Secretary, Dr. Manjit Singh Bains, Director Health Services, Mr. Sunil Bhatia DPI (Schools), Mr. D.P. Sharma, Principal, Government Model School, Sector 26 and senior officers of the Chandigarh Administration NGOs and parents of the children of AIE Centre.