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Press Note

Awareness meet organised for sarpanches

Chandigarh, March 19: The Department of Social Welfare, Chandigarh organized an awareness meet of Sarpanches and N.G.O.s on today at Bal Bhawan, Sector 23, Chandigarh. The meet was attended by various N.G.O.s and Sarpanches from the villages. The main aim of the meet was to make awareness of the schemes to Sarpanches and to motivate them to work along with the N.G.O.s and the department in order to make the schemes reach the general masses and the needy. In his address the Director Social Welfare gave the special impetus for increasing the interaction between the Sarpanches and the Administration. In his address Director Social Welfare, Samwartak Singh, assured to the audience about the full cooperation from the department in providing the benefits of various schemes to the citizens. The schemes of social welfare department, Scheduled Caste, Backward Classes and Minorities Finance and Development Corporation and Chandigarh Child and Women Development Corporation were also briefed to the Sarpanches.

Further the Sarpanches were also familiarized with the various welfare projects which are being run by the department namely AASHA KIRAN, Sector 46, SNEHALAYA- Maloya, Empowerment Centre, Sec19, Old Age Home Sector 15, Sr Citizen Home Sec 43 etc, and made them aware about the facilities available at these center's. The Representatives of N.G.Os present also spoke about their activities and as to how the Sarpanches can take the benefit of their activities for the development of their village and its people. Sh Samwartak Singh also

told that soon the new and unique initiatives are being launched to reach the masses/ village instantly. Further Director Social Welfare also proposed to conduct such interactive workshops every month.