

Center For Human Progress: Building Capacities



The Center for Human Progress (CHP) in partnership with the Positive Women's Network (PWN) started a capacity building programme for the Delhi Positive Women's Network (DPWN) in the month of March, 2011. The main concept behind the tie-up was to build positive women's capacities, so that they could further train the community on basic HIV/AIDS knowledge, child support group, child advocacy, facilitating disclosure, life skills and health issues for WLHIV's. The 360 degree support was provided in various genres like administration, technical, documentation and capacity building. The training enhanced the skills and capacities of Women Living with HIV (WLHIV) by providing them with the appropriate knowledge; dispelling myths, misconceptions and presumptions. The project was administered by Mr. Manish Gupta and Mr. Harun Ahmed from Center for Human Progress.



Amongst the six modules for capacity building, module for basic HIV knowledge was started first on 11th April, 2011 for two days and eight women from staff and the Board were trained on transmission of HIV infected blood, unsafe sex, HIV+ mother to child transmission, use of common needles. The second module was provided on life skills from 04th- 5th May, 2011 involving seven women from the Board and staff. The third module taken was on facilitating disclosure for one day. The next module was taken on child advocacy from 28th- 29th July, 2011 followed by the Child Support group module on 24th Nov, 2011 with the help of story-telling techniques and questions followed by it. Finally the module on health issues and information related to WLHIV's was taken by Dr. Haresh Gupta (CEO, Bal Sahyog).

Along with the above modules advocacy through increase in knowledge and awareness about the PLHIV's rights was conducted. All community members were called for a get together to share the experiences, to talk about the challenges and be entertained through games, quizzes, dance, ice breakers and activities. Basic knowledge and capacity building on handling computers, data entry, sending emails, getting new telephone connection, banking, registration, recruiting and

time management. Field visits, linkages with NGO's and restaurants were also facilitated for the empowerment of the community. The CHP-PWN partnership, which was originally scheduled for a 6 month period (later extended to 8 months) has improved the confidence level and facilitated progress of the staff and Board members.

