
a basic training session on
UNCRPD for
Hard of Hearing & Deafened

Organized by
SHRUTI
in collaboration with
DHRC

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at DHRC office at Chuchepati, Kathmandu, Nepal

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On 20 July 2013, SHRUTI (National Association of Hard of hearing and Deafened Nepal) organised a basic training on UNCRPD (Convention Rights on Persons with Disability) with support of DHRC (Disable Human Rights Centre) in its secretariat office at Chu-

chepati, Kathmandu, Nepal. The program was targeted to train active members of SHRUTI to aware them about Rights of people with disability. All trainees were hearing disable, that is, Hard of hearing and Deafened.

The training was held from 12 pm to 4 pm, with twelve participants. Mr. Maheswor Ghimire, vice president of SHRUTI facilitated the program. He gave basic training on UNCRPD. Ms. Neeta Keshary Bhattarai, president of SHRUTI described the meaning and necessity of hard of hearing and deafened people.



As most of the participants were hard of hearing and deafen who did not rely on sign language; CART (captioning) and Note-taker was practiced during the training. This was the first time these techniques were used in training in Nepal. As there was only one deaf-

ened participant who relied on sign language a Nepali sign language interpreter was also arranged for the training program. During the training process, due to some technical issues with the computer the use of CART facility throughout the program could not be continued.. But, with the quick response of the training facilitators, manual writing on chart papers were introduced to overcome the problem. Thus, the training program was successful.

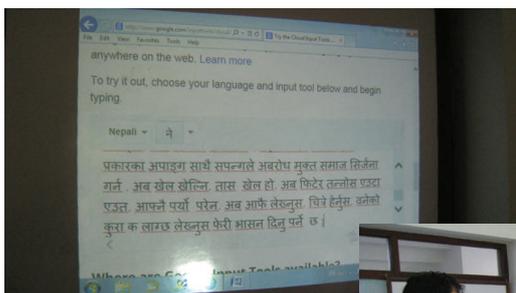




One of the participants, expressed his feeling about the training. According to him, he had finally understood the meaning of disability, hard of hearing and deafend. He had realized that there are many other too who are like him. An-

other participant, expressed that she has understood what discrimination is. She had not been aware about how people were discriminated in various places of the society i.e. home and work place before the program. In general the participant shared their view that they had understood the necessity of understanding these issues and the rights of the people facing these issues. Some showed their concern over the discrimination people faced in deaf schools, where hard of hearing people are now allowed to speak even if they can but to speak is their right.

In this small workshop with limited resources, with the effective use of the available local skills a barrier free communicating environment for hearing disable people was created. As it was the first attempt to such a program, some problems were faced and tactfully handled. SHRUTI looks forward in improving the mode of communication to interact with more efficiency and effectiveness in future.





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