



# GURPREM

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## From the President's desk:

Most of the time you have been associating your trust's name with a social cause of providing artificial limbs to physically challenged people who loose their limbs due to militancy, firing across line of control between India and Pakistan, mine blasts and earthquake.

During year 2007, we have gone out to Kashmir valley as well and organized camps in Uri, Srinagar and Khupwara.

The credit for all these continued services goes not only to Prithpal ji, Munshi ji, Col. Sandhu who along with their families devoted many days with me running around these places to organize camps but also to people who spent several sleepless nights surveying these places to identify people in need. Indian army helped us to make several arrangements. We are also grateful to all of you who have been supporting these through some way or other even while sitting thousands of miles away.



Thank you  
Prof. Jagbir Singh Sudan

## Camp benefited 245 poor people in Bhimber Gali



8 year old girl, whose both legs were burnt below knees. Now she could stand on her new artificial legs and with lots of practice could gradually start walking on her own.

The six day camp benefited more than 300 physically challenged people of Poonch, Thanamandi, Surankot, Krishna Ghati, Mendhar and Udhampur areas of the region. The camp was organized through Bhimbar Gali Brigade of Ace of Spade Division.



Major General Rameshwar Roy, GOC 25 Infantry Division during his visit to the Camp said, "Over the past five decades people living near Line Of Control have lost their limbs due to LOC firing, mine blasts and terrorism. The camp provided artificial limbs, polio calipers and aluminium crutches to these under-privileged ones."

## Camp benefited 175 poor people in SriNagar

We organized three camps in a row in Kashmir Valley. The first one in this series from 25<sup>th</sup> June till 29<sup>th</sup> June was organized at Badami Bagh Army reception Center.



*Trust President Jagbir Singh ji providing wheelchair along with Prithpal Singh ji and other local people.*



175 physically challenged people benefited during this camp, Besides providing artificial limbs in this camp, 31 polio patients were also attended and provided with polio calipers. 33 poor people were also provided with clutches.



During this camp we also came across 22 old people who were facing hearing problem and hence were provided with hearing aids.

Trust also provided tricycles to 37 extremely poor people, 10 wheel chairs were provided to those poor children who could not make use of tricycle.

10 poor people were provided with orthopaedic foot.

During each evening Jagbir Singh ji, Prithpal Singh ji and Sat Pal Saraf ji planned with their families and army authorities for the next day's activities. Gradually few local people and physically challenged people also started participating in evening get-togethers providing a great platform to further strengthening their bonds.



## Camp benefited 390 poor people in Khupwara

The second camp in the series for fitment of artificial limbs and other auxiliary facilities was organized at Dargmulla in Khupwara from 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> July.

This camp was a great success. This area had a large number of affected poor people. 390 physically challenged people were provided relief. Besides artificial limbs, this also included 78 polio crutches, 55 auxiliary crutches, 53 orthopaedic foot.

39 people were provided tricycles, 73 with wheelchairs and 23 people with hearing aids.

Besides these reliefs, 11 sewing machines were also provided to poor women including few widows and orphans so that these women can at-least earn their daily bread through this work.



*This physically challenged child was affected above knees and while he was provided with orthopaedic foot, he cried due to his miseries but soon after he could take few steps through supports on both sides, he could not stop smiling and laughing. To the surprise of everyone, he kept laughing for more than an hour.*



*GOC 28 Div. Major General J.S.Bajwa along with Dr. D. R. Mehta ( Founder of Jaipur Foot), Mr.Khan DC Kupwara and Trust President Jagbir Singh ji.*

*They watched an exhibition with great interest wherethe Trust has displayed its activities since 1990.*



## Camp benefited 103 poor people in Uri



3<sup>rd</sup> camp of the series was held at Boniar, Tehsil Uri in distt. Baramulla from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> July 2007. This camp was inaugurated by Brig. A.K.Pradhan, Commander 161 Uri Brigade.

Brig. Pradhan took very keen interest in these activities and ensured complete support to Jagbir Singh ji and Prithpal Singh ji.

While artificial legs were being prepared for each physically challenged person, here came a young boy who required artificial legs above knee. Soon after legs were prepared according to his measurements, his excitement yielded great results and after a reasonable practice, he could start walking even without supports.

This camp provided not only artificial limbs but also polio crutches to 28 children, 16 auxiliary crutches, 29 tricycles, 25 wheelchairs, 7 orthopaedic foot and 47 hearing aids.



*Everybody was trying to help each other. Despite a serious injury in his own foot, Prithpal Singh ji could not resist himself from supporting a physically challenged person and started guiding him how to make use of tri-cycle.*

These camps were inspiring, encouraging and challenging. They are a landmark in the activities of the Trust. We look for continuous support from you all.

This newsletter is a forum for all of us to come together and keep in touch.

GURPREM WILL BRING US CLOSER.

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