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DISABILITY CENTRE VISIT

As a part of academic clinical orientation and academic training to understand disability services, rehabilitation procedures, assistive technologies, and community-based support available for persons with disabilities (PWD's), a field visit was organized by the Department of Community Physiotherapy to Mahatma Phule Apang Kalyan Prashikshan Kendra, Hinjewadi Pune, on 19th November 2025. The purpose of the visit was to observe multidisciplinary rehabilitation practices and gain insight into real-world functioning of disability support systems.

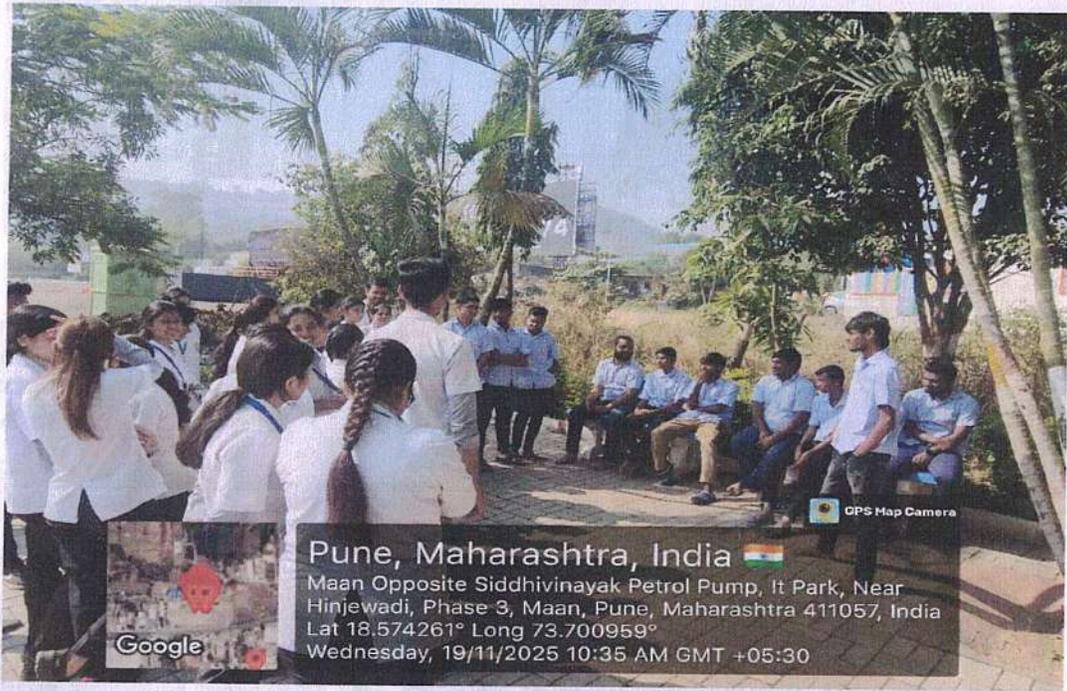
Twenty nine final year students along with Assistant Professor Dr. Afreen Shaikh visited the centre. The students left around 08AM in the morning and reached the centre by 9:30 AM. A co-ordinator who used to work there as student told about the history of the centre. We observed various departments such as Physiotherapy department, Certificate course in electronics and Radio servicing/ mobile repairing, Certificate course in tailoring and cutting, dining area, living room etc.

The Centre is providing comprehensive services to individuals with: Physical disabilities (neurological, orthopedic, congenital), Intellectual and developmental disabilities, Sensory disabilities (hearing, speech, visual impairments). It also focuses on early intervention, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, vocational training, psychological support, special education, and community integration.

The field visit to the Disability Centre was highly informative and beneficial. It provided practical exposure to rehabilitation practices and highlighted the importance of coordinated multidisciplinary care for persons with disabilities. This visit enhanced understanding of disability management, socio-economic challenges, and the role of healthcare professionals in promoting independence and quality of life.



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