

## DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION

The history of working on Prevention of Drug Abuse and Alcoholism had started with a tragic incident i.e. liquor tragedy that took place in Cuttack city during May 1992. Project Swarajya pioneered in alerting the public through mike propaganda about the adulterated liquor. Since then the organization has been working against Drug Abuse and Alcoholism. There are two Integrated Rehabilitation Centres for Addicts being managed by the Organisation, one at Bakharabad, Cuttack and the other at Silipur in Kendrapada district. About 1000 nos. of patients visit the centre every year out of which around 200 get cured and return to normal life.



**The Deaddiction Centre at Cuttack is housed in a historic building, which was the house of such great freedom fighters as Nabakrushna Choudhury and Malati Devi, Gopabandh Choudhury and Ramadevi, and where great decisions on freedom struggle were taken.**

The International Day Against Drug Abuse and Alcoholism was observed jointly by Project Swarajya and Cuttack District Police from 1998 to 2006. From 2007 onwards the said programme has been organized jointly by the District Excise Administration and Project Swarajya.



**Mr M. Akshaya SP, Dr R.P. Sharma, IG, Crime, Dr B.B. Panda, DG of Orissa Police deliberating the International Day**



**Justice S.N. Naidu, Justice Choudhury P.K. Mishra and Mr Mohan Jena MP as the Guests of the event. Mr Kishor Ku Mohanty, Collector Cuttack was the President.**

The Excise department and Project Swarajya have jointly organized several sensitization and awareness events in various places.



**Mr Barendra Dhala, District Excise Superintendent along with members of Project Swarajya in the Dais**

The objective of said programme was to sensitise administration, community and general public. The above programme impacted the common people to motivate the addicts to avail institutional care and facility to free them from addiction.



**Police and community people**



**SHG members & NGO workers**

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