

## Special Students From Schools of Tricity Participate in SOHA -Online Exhibition

An online exhibition "SOHA (Seeds of Hope and Action)" was hosted by Government Rehabilitation Institute for Intellectual Disabilities (GRIID), sector 31, Chandigarh for special children today. SOHA exhibition is a joint venture of the Soka Gakkai International (SGI) and the Earth Charter International. The teachers of GRIID school- Ms Vandana, Ms veena, Ms Nidhi, Ms Reetika, Mr Ravinder, Ms Alpana, Mr Atul and Ms Anjali- were trained from Mr Anand , organizer of SOHA for this venture. On 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022 the teachers then explained to the students about the importance of nature and what a single individual can do to save and progress nature using the formula "Inspire, Learn, Reflect, Empower , Lead" outlined in Daisaku Ikeda's proposals on education for sustainable development.

The seven special schools from tricity -Astha, SOREM , Prayas, B. and Bhavan Vidyalaya schools from Chandigarh; Sadhana Vocational Training Institute for Mentally Handicapped from Manimajra; Affwa Army School from Kali Badi area; Dr Sham Das from Zirakpur- participated in the exhibition.

Total 350 special students i.e. from GRIID and other special schools participated in the online exhibition. Special students also shared their thoughts how they are contributing towards saving environment.

The arrangement of online exhibition for students was made in conference room, auditorium and IT room. Dr Priti Arun , Joint Director GRIID put the proposal forward of SOHA for special children. Dr Vani Ratnam , Principal GRIID special school proposed vote of thanks.



Teachers and students in online exhibition being organised from conference room

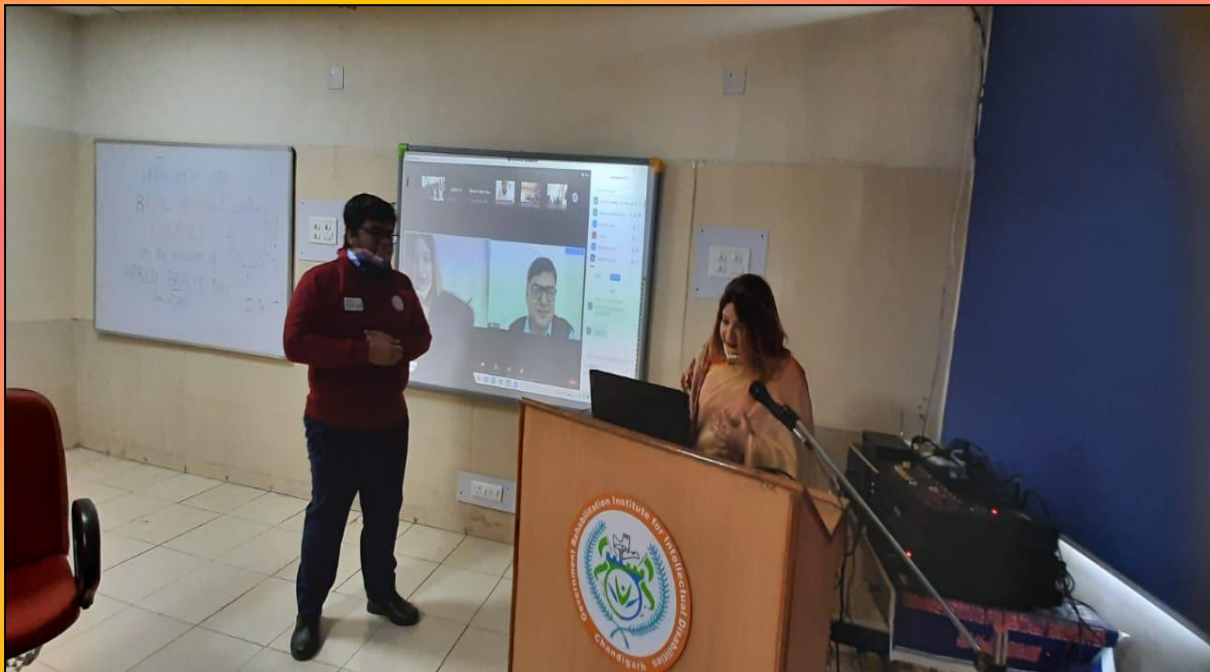


**Students viewing online exhibition in IT room**



**Teachers and students viewing online exhibition in auditorium**





Harsh , special student from Prevocational 1, sharing his views with Mr Anand (on screen), organizer of SOHA



In photo (sitting) : Dr Priti Arun, Joint Director GRIID (Centre right) and Dr Vani Ratnam, Principal, GRIID special school (Centre left) with teachers of GRIID.