

September 07, 2022**International Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Day**

World Duchenne Awareness Day is observed every year on September 7. An initiative by the World Duchenne Organization, this day aims to raise awareness about Duchenne and Becker Muscular Dystrophy. Caused by mutations in the dystrophin genes, these are devastating genetic conditions that produce symptoms such as learning disabilities, frequent falls, waddling gait, and many more. It significantly impairs one's ability to function normally in their daily life. This day shines a light on what it is, how it affects our lives, and what we can do about it. It also equips us with the right knowledge needed to care for someone suffering from this condition.

On this day, 26 volunteers from Shoolini University went to IAMD centre located at Jatoli, Solan. At IAMD centre, an event for muscular dystrophy awareness was organized. For this, selected students from 15 schools & institutes were invited. The students had come with the placard made by them with a slogan for muscular dystrophy awareness written on it. The event started at 10AM at activity centre of Manav Mandir where a gathering of about 300 students was present. The event started with a sharing of brief introduction of Muscular Dystrophy by Mr. Vipul Goyal and a brief about the center of muscular dystrophy was built and what was the idea behind it. After this, all the esteemed guests were awarded with the mementos and gifts. Post this, chief guest of the event shared his views on how muscular dystrophy warriors should be treated in the society. He emphasized on how we rise by lifting each other. The whole event was managed by student volunteers of Shoolini University and this effort was greatly appreciated by IAMD founder Mr. Vipul Goyal. After this, the refreshments were served to everyone present there.

Number of students participants: - 26



A group photograph of volunteers with the muscular dystrophy warriors, their guardians and IAMD staff



A photograph of the students and all the invited members at IAMD centre